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The War Program

THE BELGIANS' WAR EFFORT IN 1943

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BELGIUM'S contribution to the United Nations' war effort was greatly increased in the year 1943.

Production of strategic materials in the Belgian Congo, for the British and American war factories, has been stepped up. This is namely the case with regard to tin, an important strategic metal, the production of which was increased 20 times since the start of the war. The Belgian Congo now supplies the Allies with their total requirements of this metal. In the production of other valuable raw materials, the Belgian Congo has also made great strides and the Belgian colony is at present an important reservoir for feeding the American and British war factories.

In the military field, the Belgian Congo has not lagged either. A native army, commanded by Belgian officers, has been built up and a number of its battalions are in the Mediterranean theatre of war.

In England, the Belgians have increased their air force which now numbers more airmen than before the war. Moreover, Belgian soldiers are being intensively trained for commando operations and as paratroopers. A Belgian commando unit is already fighting in Italy.*

But there is another front on which the Belgian war effort has reached a climax. That front is occupied Belgium, where resistance to the German occupier has been intensified to such an extent that a sizeable number of German divisions have to be kept in the country. Some 150 underground papers, amongst them the famous "Libre Belgique," lead this opposition. The publication and the circulation of these papers demand a considerable amount of energy and a daily renewal of heroism. Some people have been asking themselves if these sacrifices of brave lives were really worthwhile. The question is answered by one of these underground papers. I quote:—"The existence of an underground paper means that nothing will drown the voice of patriotism. It means that in order to oppose a tyrannical and barbarian regime, there are men, and women, and young people, who, voluntarily, take up an outlaw's life, full of obscure hardships, of secret action, devotion, daring, and danger."

Upon their shoulders rests the responsibility of lifting the morale of the people when the difficulties of active and passive resistance against the Germans seem insurmountable. To these men we owe a great debt of gratitude.

Sabotage has been systematic and carried out where it hurts most the German war machine. That sabotage takes every form. The objectives are namely railways and factories. Hardly one day goes by

"On the seas, Belgian crews have distinguished themselves in convoy and mine-sweeping duties, and it may be of interest to underline that the first ship to land United Nations troops in North Africa flew the Belgian flag.

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High ranking Army, Navy, and Marine Corps officers examine beach defenses after the fall of Tarawa. Left to right are: (hands in pockets), Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., Maj. Gen. Charles F. B. Price, USMC; Admiral Chester A. Nimitz; and (pointing), Maj. Gen. Julian Smith, commanding general of Marine forces which took the island.

Liquor for Air Crews

Maj. Gen. David N. W. Grant, Air Surgeon, Army Air Forces, stated 6 Jan. that flight surgeons are authorized, in individual cases, to prescribe liquor for air crew members on their return from combat missions.

General Grant said that "Since alcohol long has had a generally accepted place in the therapeutic armament of the medical profession, flight surgeons in individual cases are authorized to prescribe liquor for medicinal purposes. The Flight Surgeon examines each air crew member following his return from a mission and prescribes whatever treatment in his judgment seems advisable. If liquor were prescribed, it would be on the basis of individual medical need."

This statement was made following publication of a news dispatch from the Mediterranean in which it was stated that whiskey was being issued in the North African theater for the relief of "pilot fatigue."

Texas and Idaho Units On New Britain

The War Department announced this week that the first American units to land on the island of New Britain in the Southwest Pacific consisted of Texas National Guard Cavalry with Field Artillery from Idaho. The Texas troops led off in the assault in what constitutes the major threat to Japan's important base at Rabaul. Japanese opposition was severe from the start but thus far casualties for our troops have been light.

Promote Naval Officers

The President on 1 Jan. approved the temporary promotion, with rank from that date, of a long list of ensigns and lieutenants (junior grade) of the Regular Navy and Naval Reserve (including Women's Reserve).

Those promoted, subject to the usual qualifications, were:

TO LIEUTENANT

Lieutenants (jg), Regular Navy, Line, whose date of rank as such is 1 Jan. 1943 or earlier.

Lieutenants (jg), Regular Navy, Staff Corps, as follows:

MEDICAL CORPS

Thomas V. Finch Henry R. Ennis
Roger S. Downs Paul Reed
John L. Reynolds George A. Vail
Tibor A. Beresky Stuart A. Patterson
Robert B. Verner Bernard D. Stollman
Arthur R. Payzant Clyde W. Norman
Byron E. Bosham Leo J. Brown
Emmett J. Riordan Harold B. Stoeve
Jean E. Neighbors George W. Russell
Joseph R. Connelly Julian A. White
Lloyd A. Stirett Richard R. Hoffman
J. L. Nielson, Jr. Robert C. Miller
Leo S. Madlem, Jr. John C. Taylor
Elmer R. King Felice A. Garcia
James E. Kelly William P. Davey
Don J. Wekes Paul E. Bondo
Louis A. Ensenat Joseph C. Pinto
J. Robert Close A. G. Tedford, Jr.
Jack R. Bostwick J. W. Packard, Jr.
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Wilbert C. Maunke Eugene C. Lytle
F. C. Blair, Jr. William P. Jones
Warren E. Thorn- Benson N. Redding
burg Thaddeus H. Wil-
Frank J. Losey James W. Cummings
Fred L. Losee Jackson F. McKinney
Glenn D. Richardson Donald R. Bragg
Christopher E. Thom- Frederic S. Hill
linson, Jr.

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Education on Discharge Favored in Senate Bill

As a result of several hearings held on the post-discharge education bill, S. 1509, by the Senate Committee on Education and Labor a number of amendments may be proposed to the bill.

However, the general objectives of the measure—year's education to every honorably discharged service person who desires it plus additional education for not to exceed three more years for especially qualified, selected personnel—appear to be unchanged.

S. 1509 was introduced 3 Nov. 1943 by Chairman Thomas, of Utah, shortly after the President submitted to Congress a report urging free post-war education. The committee has been working on the legislation during the present recess, and plans to report the bill early in the new session, which begins 10 Jan.

To accord with all bills affecting members of the armed forces it is probable that the legislation will apply only to those honorably discharged or relieved from active duty after 7 Dec. 1941. The original bill would have made eligible those discharged after 16 Sept. 1940.

The original bill specified 6 months of active service as constituting basic eligibility. The committee is considering holding to this for members of the merchant marine but of changing it to 90 days for personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, and their components. The service may have been at home or overseas.

Holding to the theory of States' Rights along education lines, the committee bill will undoubtedly specify that the individual States rather than the President, shall formulate the rules and regulations under which students shall be selected, and that the States through their Departments of Education shall decide the list of educational institutions approved for the training of those selected, and that the Office of Education of the United States shall exercise no authority over State educational agencies. Within the range of the approved list, eligible personnel will be allowed to select the institution they desire to attend, whether in their own or another State.

Because of the interest aroused in educational circles it is likely that approved institutions will include junior colleges and business colleges. The original bill includes "elementary and secondary schools furnishing education for adults, trade schools, scientific, technical, and vocational training institutions, colleges, professional schools and universities" and "Business establishments providing training on the job under the supervision of an approved college or university or any State department of education or State board of vocational education."

To carry out the administration of the bill, if it becomes law, the U. S. Office of Education will doubtless be charged with the responsibility of selecting an administrator who will have the assistance of an advisory council.

It is believed that the original bill includes, by clear implication, fostering the training of students along post-graduate

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U. S. Daily Press Views

Army Runs Railroads

Philadelphia Evening Bulletin—"Now that the Government acted it may well be that the men who launched the threat are glad that its execution has been made impossible. They have been working patriotically and under many difficulties. Mr. Stimson appeals to them to carry on at a time when the duty of not letting down our men at the front overrides every other consideration."

Manchester Union—"Seldom has a move of this kind been taken that has ruffled the surface of the nation's life so little. *** One of the reasons for the unbroken calm was the prompt, businesslike manner in which the government seizure was accomplished."

Providence Evening Bulletin—"The Army has neither the desire nor the time for the job. It has its own work to do. That is why it is earnestly hoped that the growing expectation of an early return of the carriers to private management will be fulfilled."

Memphis Commercial Appeal—"The strike was called off after leaders of the three 'holdout' unions had met with tough General Somervell, and if he was in good form, they must have 'heard things' in a language they had never heard before. He must have

convinced them that the Army meant business—and it did!"

San Francisco Chronicle—"It was a paper seizure anyway; the Government had no notion of actually undertaking the railway management. It would, Secretary Stimson said, supply soldiers to take strikers' places if necessary, but this seizure did not mean taking over control in the sense of the action in 1917."

Washington Star—"When the verbal camouflage is stripped off, this essential fact remains—that the Government and the country, war or no war, are at the mercy of a relatively few men in a relatively few unions."

Scranton Times—"The government's action, in the exercise of a supreme power in critical times, must always be firmly in favor of the greatest good for the greatest number. Therefore, the government took the steps it did."

Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch—"If these brotherhoods had issued such a statement before the President took over the roads, it would have been accepted as a manifestation of unwillingness of the men represented to interfere with the progress of the war, whatever their grievances were. As it is, they did not give the

assurance until they had forced the United States to seize the roads and place them under the over-all control of the Army."

Minneapolis Daily Times—"The nation has had one wartime experience with government-operated railroads and it is not in the mood to tolerate another fiasco of that sort."

Wilmington Morning News—"By threatening to strike in the middle of a war the rail workers have sacrificed their hard-won prestige and put themselves in the position of men ready to betray the soldiers and sailors overseas for the sake of a few extra cents an hour."

Hartford Courant—"As it is now, every railroad employee is working for the Government, and should these employees go out on strike they would be striking against the Government. The Government does not lack the means to deal effectively with such an unthinkable situation as that."

Cleveland Plain Dealer—"General Somervell may operate the railroads but President Roosevelt will prescribe the wages of railroad employees both for the period of government operation and probably for the duration of the war. And the owners will take this award 'and like it'."

Manpower Board Cuts ASF Overhead by 10%

A drastic reduction in the number of officers and men assigned to overhead installations of the Army Service Forces has been recommended by the War Department Manpower Board, which is headed by Maj. Gen. Lorenzo D. Gasser, USA-Ret.

In a survey of installations employing 360,000 officers, men and civilians, the Gasser board recommended a reduction of nearly 10 per cent. The board stated that about 36,000 military personnel could be assigned to other duties and that about 7,000 civilians—after a number of military positions were taken over by civilians—could be discharged.

However, it should be pointed out that the board's recommendations are based upon surveys which began in August 1943, and that Army Service Forces has been conscientiously cutting personnel throughout the last half of 1943. In other words, the board, or one of its nine regional subsidiaries, may have surveyed a certain post in August, 1943, and as a result of that survey is recommending a certain cut. However, since that date ASF may have made cuts in personnel at that post. Therefore, the actual reduction which may be made as a result of the Manpower Board's recommendations, will by no means be as extreme as the 10 per cent indicated.

ASF and the Manpower Board, which has advisory powers only, have worked hand in hand since the inception of the board. Wherever the board has indicated a cut at a post is in order, ASF has investigated. Sometimes its surveys have been in agreement with the findings of the board. Sometimes a slightly different figure has been reached, usually because an installation has taken on additional responsibilities since the time of the board's survey.

The board, ASF and the Army generally are embarked on a drive to see that no installation is over-manned and that in the manning of each installation the maximum of physically under-par personnel or civilians are used.

The additional general service personnel obtained as a result of the Manpower Board surveys and the Army Service Forces' directives will be retained by ASF and assigned to units being organized, such as engineer battalions, quartermaster battalions, and the like. As more and more troops move overseas, the natural consequence is a reduction in overhead in the United States and an expansion in the number of men serving in overseas theatres.

When limited service was abolished, as such, by the War Department last summer, it was provided that the highest utilization of each man's capabilities should be made. Many limited service men are now in combat units. Flat feet do not incapacitate a truck driver nor a company clerk.

A natural concomitant of the Army's

policy of using every man at his highest skills was emphasized in the recent War Department order requiring commanders to report as available for reassignment enlisted men who possess skills of which there is a critical shortage and who have been assigned to replacement training centers of arms or services not requiring such skills. Men removed from replacement training centers as a consequence of the order will be reassigned at the same level of training in the training center of the branch for which they are better qualified.

Post-War Education

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lines. This implication may make it unnecessary to state this definitely in the committee bill.

The financial assistance specified in the original bill will not be changed in the committee bill except, perhaps, in two respects. Those who have received mustering-out payments at discharge or relief from active duty will not be eligible for pay for subsistence during the period over which they may be receiving mustering-out installments. Beyond this, there is sentiment in favor of cutting out the provision, present in the original bill, that secured loans not exceeding the sum of \$50 a month may be authorized to any person selected for a further period of instruction. The sentiment is based on the knowledge that almost all institutions of learning have scholarship funds that can be used for the benefit of deserving students. And in the last analysis it is believed that students should be encouraged to do some work to help support themselves while gaining the schooling contemplated.

The committee bill is still in process of formulation, but it is known that education agencies are urging some of the suggestions stated.

Sec. Knox Birthday

Secretary of the Navy Knox received many congratulations on his birthday, 1 January. On that day he was the guest of Paul Patterson, publisher of the *Baltimore Sun*, at a luncheon in the Maryland Club in Baltimore.

A birthday cake and the singing of "Happy Birthday" and "Anchors Aweigh" marked the occasion. With the Secretary at the luncheon were Capt. Leland Lovette, USN, and Captain Jewell, USN.

Gen. Griswold Takes Command

Dispatches from the South Pacific this week reported that Admiral William F. Halsey's headquarters had announced that Maj. Gen. Allen Hal Turnage, USMC, who landed on Bougainville in command of the Third Marine Division, has relinquished command of the area.

It was said that Army forces took over on 15 Dec., Maj. Gen. Oscar Griswold taking over field command through Lt. Gen. Millard F. Harmon, who succeeded Maj. Gen. Roy Geiger in the over-all command.

Jet Propelled Aircraft

Fighter airplanes employing jet propulsion engines soon will be in production, having passed experimental tests successfully, the War Department announced 6 Jan.

In a joint U. S. Army Air Forces-British R.A.F. statement, issued by General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General of the AAF, it was revealed that the new type fighter aircraft have improved jet propulsion engines which eliminate propellers.

Jet propulsion engines were originally of British design. Work was started on these engines in Great Britain in 1933 by Group Captain Frank Whittle. The Air Ministry placed its first order for an aircraft using jet propulsion engines in 1939 with Gloucester Aircraft Company, Ltd., Gloucester, England. The engines were to be built by Power Jets, Ltd., in a special factory in England to whom Group Captain Whittle was loaned.

Full information about this jet propulsion engine was disclosed in July, 1941, to the United States Army Air Forces who, at once asked for an engine to be sent to the U.S.A., and the engine which had made the first flight was sent to the General Electric Company in September, 1941.

The first of these engines was ready for test in less than six months. At the same time the Bell Aircraft Company was given an order to build an aircraft suitable to operate with two of these engines and the first flight in the United States was made in less than 12 months. Several hundred successful flights have been carried out since then by American pilots in the United States and by British pilots with the British aircraft in England, many of them at high altitudes and extreme speed and all without a single mishap.

General Arnold, Commanding General of the AAF, and the British Air Ministry and Ministry of Aircraft Production have directed that plans be made for the production of a sufficient quantity for training purposes both in the United States and in Great Britain.

The USAAF is allotting a number of these to the U. S. Navy for additional trials and experimentation.

The maiden flight of the first experimental aircraft in the U. S. A. took place 1 Oct. 1942. This was the first successful operation of a combat plane using the jet propulsion principle. Robert M. Stanley, Chief Test Pilot of the Bell Aircraft Company, was at the controls on the initial flight. The next day, Brig. Gen. (then Col.) Laurence C. Craigie flew the aircraft, thus becoming the first Army officer to fly a jet propelled military aircraft in the U. S. Among others who have tested the new aircraft are Brig. Gen. B. W. Chidlaw, Chief of the Materiel Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution, and Maj. Gen. William E. Kepner, a veteran Air Corps fighter pilot formerly commanding the Fourth Air Force.

Marine Women's Promotions

A system of promotion by selection will govern all advancements made in the Women's Reserve of the Marine Corps Reserve, except for certain promotions of personnel filling special billets which will be good only while such billets are held.

About 15 Jan. selection boards will meet to recommend officers of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve for promotion to ranks of first lieutenant, captain and major. In the latter part of 1944, a further study will be made to determine future policy for promotion of Women Marines.

After serving three months in a billet appropriate for an officer of a higher rank, an officer is eligible for spot promotion to the next higher rank upon recommendation of her commanding officer. Spot promotions will be held to determine future policy.

Joint Service Vote Statement

A joint statement by the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of War to the Council of State Governments states that the services will be unable effectively to administer diverse procedures of 48 states as to 11,000,000 servicemen all over the world in primary, special and general elections.

Although the statement made clear that the War and Navy Departments do not advocate or oppose any particular voting legislation, the views expressed are expected to have the effect of bringing about compromise measures when Congress resumes 10 Jan.

The joint statement was sent to the Council as many of the State legislatures were convening to speed legislation on the soldier vote.

Promote Naval Officers

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Arthur H. Pearson Ervin J. Drow
Albert C. Funk John E. Flocken
Charles R. Phinney Joseph R. Megna
Frank Kanter Ernest A. Rambaldi
Bruce S. Hetrick

Hospital Corps

Harry R. Evans
Lieutenants, (jg) of the line and staff corps of the Naval Reserve in a continuous active duty status in that rank since 1 Jan. 1943 or earlier.

TO LIEUTENANT (JG)

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Maintenance is a war job—your war job. So make it easier for yourself. Remember that Preventive Maintenance is the easiest maintenance.

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The Army Air Forces

General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, in a report to the Secretary of War made public this week, declared that the "Army Air Forces which the Axis calculated would be the weak link in our chain of battle has instead turned out to be our greatest strength and has so far supplied our margin of victory."

"The War has not yet been won," General Arnold said, "but certainly our offensives on all fronts have averted its loss. Our arm of the service has been in continuous contact with the enemy over all the continents and all the oceans."

General Arnold's report gives to the public a comprehensive review of the growth of our air power from the blue print stage in 1935 to its 1944 strength of 2,385,000 officers and enlisted men and a production capacity from which 145,000 planes are scheduled for completion in the next 15 months. These new planes, he says, will be heavier and more elaborately equipped. The average airframe weight being produced now is twice as great as a year ago. The weight of heavy bombers to be produced in the next 18 months is scheduled to exceed that of all types of planes produced in our first year and a half of war.

"It can now be announced," the General reported, "that up to 1 Oct. 1943, a total of 26,900 planes have been exported to our allies by lend-lease or direct purchase. These aircraft are being flown over Europe from the United Kingdom, Africa, Italy, the Middle East and the Mediterranean area, by British, French, Polish, Czech, Norwegian and other airmen. In the Far East aircraft produced in the U. S. are being flown in combat by Chinese, British, Australian, and New Zealand airmen. On the front from the Baltic to the Black Sea, USSR pilots have operated our aircraft as well as their own against the common enemy."

Discussing the need for constant changes, General Arnold pointed out that such need extends even to the change in fronts. "Those persons," he said, "who think that after the costly and time-consuming defeat of Germany, we can by a simple order fly our planes to China, bomb Tokyo, and bring Japan to her knees, do not yet understand the need for vast supply lines, well-equipped bases, and planes built to fight under entirely different conditions from those that prevail in Europe. No two theaters of war have been the same, and they probably never will be."

The Commanding General paid high tribute to the various components of his forces including the training system, Air Transport Command, Women's Airforce Service Pilots, Women's Army Corps, the Air Service Command, Aviation Medicine, Aviation Engineers, Weather Service, etc.

Following are highlights from that portion of his report treating of the combat operation of the Air Forces:

First Defeats and Recoveries

7 December 1941 (8 December, Hawaiian time) found the Army Air Forces equipped with planes but not with planes. When the Japanese struck, our combat aircraft strength was little better than a corporal's guard of some 3,000 planes; of these only 1,157 were actually suited to combat service.

Of our total 1,157 combat planes 526 were strategically located to meet possible attacks on the Hawaiian and Philippine Islands. Within a few hours that number was reduced to 170.

The Japanese had set about their initial task with a fine attention to detail. Their work at Hickam and Wheeler fields on Oahu was fully as thorough as at Pearl Harbor. They smashed at our airdromes, caught most of our planes on the ground and left us without any hope of continuing our reinforcement of the Philippine air arm via Hawaii. On the island of Luzon they disposed of two-thirds of our strength before we could recover from the surprise attack and rebuild our air defense.

On Luzon, it must be said, we had maintained an air alert since 15 November. Even so, General MacArthur reported that at the end of the first day of war there were only 17 heavy bombers and approximately 70 fighters left out of a force of 35 B-17's, 30 medium and 8 light bombers, 220 fighters and 23 other airplanes. In the days that followed, 14 of the B-17's managed to get to Australia, but the fighters were destroyed one after the other.

Our last two worn-out P-40's sank a couple of Japanese ships with 500-lb. bombs that had been hitched to the wings. This was the origin of our fighter bombers.

On 10 January of the 14 B-17's plus 38 other heavy bombers, flanked by a few A-24's and P-40's, were used in Java with the then pre-

The Men of the Army Air Forces

In concluding his report on the Army Air Forces, General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General AAF, devoted the following tribute to "The Men":

Nowhere in the world are the lives of men as interdependent as in a bomber on a mission. The pilot must be quick, daring, cautious. The gunners must draw a bead on shadows flashing past them at six hundred miles an hour. The navigator has the plane in the palm of his hand from start to finish; every minute he strays off the course makes it 60 seconds less likely that he and his comrades will return. If the bombardier misses, the sortie has been pointless. He takes over at the moment of greatest danger when the airplane must be in level flight and not engaging in evasive action. During the bomb run, the plane must be traveling a straight course, with speed and altitude constant. No dead engine, or groaning companion with a leg shot off, must interfere with the operation of intricate bombsites.

In military reports soldiers are spoken of as "personnel" or "the human factor." Let us not take exception to the usage. Let us not forget, either, that those soldiers are men.

The nervous strain imposed on them is much greater than any physical effort. After a certain period of operational flying, the average crew member's efficiency curve will start going downhill. Then he must be replaced not only for his own welfare but for the safety of his companions and his airplane.

Charts, graphs and strategy would mean nothing without the devotion, anger and bitter pride of our men. The reading public has been almost saturated with fabulous accounts of how they live and what they do, how after having had three engines and a wing shot off, they come in on the other wing, one engine and a prayer. Unfortunately, it always takes two wings and usually two engines to

return. The crews are made up of men, and it is as men—not as heroes—that they have to fight this war. It is a dirty war, an dirty as any.

Heroes or not, our men have done heroic things. Privates, sergeants, generals have put their lives on the line—not without regard to consequences, as some like to think—but knowing full well what the odds were.

On the training fields of the United States other men are making another kind of sacrifice. Top fliers themselves, they have been wanting more than anything else to get into combat. Cadets whom they have taught to fly return home, loaded with honors and higher than they in rank, perhaps. But every German or Japanese plane brought down is a tribute to the quality of their work. They are the instructors.

There are weather observers in lonely Aleutian outposts, communications men in a globe-circling network, Army engineers who built fighter strips where no human being had ever penetrated, Navy crews who brought in supplies under skies filled with Zeros—men who kept the Army Air Forces in the air as surely as any pilot.

Behind them and behind every man in uniform are the men and women who work in our aircraft factories, the farmers who raise their food, the miners who bring up the ore, the women who make parachutes, the 600,000 volunteers who acted as plane spotters until they could be released for other defense work.

But final tribute must be to the airmen who pit their flesh, skill and steel against the flesh, skill and steel of our enemies. It is they who are fighting this war.

was finally proved in the Bismarck Sea ten months later.

The crew of one of General Kenney's bombers spotted a large Japanese convoy heading toward New Guinea 1 March 1943. Thus began the Battle of the Bismarck Sea. During the three days that followed, the crews of 162 Allied planes repeatedly attacked this convoy and its protective cover of land-based fighters. Allied heavy bombers destroyed many Japanese fighters while on the ground at their Lae, Finschafen and Gasamata bases. Other bombers, medium and light as well as heavy, made attack after attack on the convoy with highly coordinated precision and mast-hand skip-bombing tactics. Techniques of this sort had been developed in the course of months of hard, driving rehearsals. By 4 March, the convoy had been smashed.

Both tactically and strategically, this was an outstanding operation. Besides the ships sunk, from 50 to 83 planes had been shot down and at least 9 others damaged. The Army Air Forces lost 1 B-17 and 3 P-38's in combat, and a B-25 and a Beaufighter through other causes. Total Army Air Forces personnel losses came to 13 while the Japanese lost approximately 12,700 officers and men. Entirely unassisted, the Fifth Air Force, besides disposing of large numbers of airmen and sailors, wiped out an entire division of troops.

Thus the Fifth Air Force, operating in conjunction with our amphibious, naval and land forces in and around the Solomons and New Guinea, had seized the initiative in the Southwest Pacific. For the first time in that theater we were able to strike at times and places of our own choosing.

Buna-Gona Campaign

The primary objective of Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific is to advance our own network of air bases deep into the Japanese perimeter. But before this campaign could roll into its present gear, the threat to Port Moresby had to be removed. This was accomplished in the Papuan offensive through Buna and Gona.

All Japanese efforts to reinforce the Buna-Gona region were frustrated by our long-range heavy bombers. Our Troop Carrier Command flew a complete striking force—troops, equipment and food—into the area. In one air movement 3,600 troops were brought from Australia to Port Moresby, and 15,000 from Moresby over the high Owen Stanley Mountains to the air strips near Buna. These troops were not only transported but were supplied by air at a rate of more than two million pounds a week. Construction equipment and steel mats and asphalt moved by the same route. A four-gun battery of 102-mm howitzers was ferried over by a B-17. Sick and wounded were evacuated on the way back. The entire operation proved to be of far-reaching tactical consequence.

We learned a great deal in Papua. Maps don't show jungles, swamplands, snipers and mosquitoes. In crossing the Owen Stanley Mountains we had to cope with all these and a great many other obstacles. The only dependable way our ground forces could be supplied was by the dropping of materials from the air. At first we had no supply of parachutes. It was a straight air drop, and the recovery factor was never higher than 20 per cent.

The airdromes which spearheaded and covered our advance had to be cut out of the heart of the New Guinea jungle. Normally, it is safest to have landing fields a few miles behind the front lines, but not in New Guinea. On that terrain a few miles might mean a day's journey. There our fields often had to be built within firing range of the enemy. Natives and soldiers alike worked in hourly danger at clearing the high kunai grass and preparing the strips. After each job was com-

pleted, troops and supplies moved in by air. When the front line changed, new fields had to be cleared, leveled and topped off with landing mats—always a back-breaking procedure.

Marilinan Field

In the offensive on Lae, we had to build three strips in the mountains within fighter range of that Japanese concentration. We picked a site on the basis of aerial photographs, and a party of American aviation engineers made a long overland journey to reach it. With the help of natives they cleared enough ground to permit our transports to land. Then our C-47's ferried in an air-borne engineer battalion. It required over 100 C-47 loads to accomplish the transfer of the unit with its minimum equipment. In addition, an air-borne antiaircraft company had to be brought in for protection of the field. This was the way we built our Marilinan field in a month's time.

Marilinan paid for itself in one quick series of missions. It was a staging area for the striking force which, from 17 August through the 21st, destroyed or rendered wholly unserviceable 309 Japanese aircraft at Wewak.

Marilinan was also one of the bases which helped to provide fighter cover for the great air-raid landing at Nadzab, a remarkable achievement foreshadowing at least part of our pattern of victory in the Pacific.

The landing at Nadzab put an end to the carpeting at our early "palm-tree-to-palm-tree" advance. Here was warfare at 200 miles an hour. In less time than it takes to read this page, our Fifth Air Force landed 1,700 American paratroopers, fully equipped and supplied, plus 36 Australian artillerymen with guns.

These operations in the Markham Valley are well worthy of note. In front, 48 B-25's opened the fight by strafing Japanese positions and dropping fragmentation bombs. They were followed by 6 A-20's that laid the smoke screen which covered the landing of our paratroopers from the 96 C-47's. Above these flew 5 B-17's carrying materiel, and 3 B-17's with Generals MacArthur and Kenney and their staffs. A fighter escort of 146 P-38's and P-47's covered the flight at various altitudes while at Heath's Plantation, halfway between Nadzab and Lae, 4 B-17's and 24 B-24's bombed and strafed the Japanese positions. Five weather ships operated along the route and over the passes to keep units posted on conditions. This was a far cry from the days when our decimated squadrons were being blasted out of the skies over Luzon.

The day after the landing at Nadzab, the aviation engineer who had built the airfield at Marilinan landed a Cub plane in the jungle and arranged for Australians and natives to prepare a strip for transport planes. This was the prelude to the arrival of two air-borne engineer battalions, from Marilinan and Port Moresby, and the rapid construction of new airfields in the Markham Valley, behind the Japanese position at Lae which held out for ten more days.

Held Rabaul

Five weeks after the landing at Nadzab in the Markham Valley, we raided the Japanese stronghold of Rabaul. Our box score on that mission was 3 destroyers, 3 medium merchant vessels, 32 small merchant vessels, 68 harbor craft, 11 luggers and 2 patrol craft sunk or destroyed; 1 submarine, 1 submarine tender, 1 destroyer tender, 1 medium merchant vessel, badly damaged; 184 enemy planes destroyed or damaged. Our own losses were 2 B-24's, 1 B-25 and 1 Beaufighter. Our air superiority in the Southwest Pacific has since been definitely established.

The ease with which we executed our final operations in the Markham Valley may be misleading. There is long, hard planning, endless training, repeated dry runs, devoted labor and matchless ingenuity behind undertakings of this magnitude. The box scores of the Bismarck Sea, Wewak and Rabaul do not tell the story of Lt. Col. William Benn who did so much to refine skip-bombing tactics; of the parachute fragmentation bombs used so effectively in this theater for the destruction of enemy airplanes on the ground; of Major, later Lt. Col. Bill Gunn who crossed up the experts by packing eight 50-caliber machine guns into the rebuilt nose of the B-25; of Major Ed Larner who also helped to develop skip-bomb tactics; report about Major Larner states that "One time he flew so low that when an enemy shell exploded nearby, his plane staggered through some treetops at the end of the field and emerged with its nose bashed in, the front surface of its wings crushed, its belly deeply dented, and one of its engines useless." After that, Larner apologized when he got home, "I only made two more passes at the field because the plane didn't fly so good."

General Kenney's surprise and shock tactics have shaken the Japs out of their groove; when their routine is disrupted the Japs are baffled, and baffled Japanese do not fight well.

That is not to say Japan will fold, as the Italian Fascists have, under the mere threat of invasion. There is no doubt but that Japanese industry and shipping will have to be systematically shattered before her armies actually crumble. Our Commander in Chief has said, "There are many roads that lead right to Tokyo, and we're not going to neglect any of them."

Mustering-Out Payments

Chairman Andrew J. May, of the House Military Affairs Committee, held a press conference on 4 Jan. at which he said his full committee will meet in executive session on 11 Jan. to whip into shape a bill providing for mustering-out payments to members of the armed forces.

He stated that the bill will not include any adjusted compensation plan, but that this will be cared for within the next few months.

THE UNITED STATES ARMY

Army Industrial College

The Army Industrial College has been reopened with classes being conducted in the Pentagon Building. Under Secretary of War Patterson spoke at the opening meeting 3 Jan. Col. Francis H. Miles, Jr., Ordnance Department, of Mahwah, New Jersey, has been reappointed Commandant of the college, a post which he had held heretofore for three years.

The first course of instruction covers the subject of contract termination, including disposal of excess industrial property. It will be conducted by the Readjustment Division, Army Service Forces.

Lecturers for the first course include:

Mr. Bernard M. Baruch, Director, Advisory Unit on War and Post-War Adjustment Policies; Mr. Charles E. Wilson, Executive Vice Chairman, War Production Board; Mr. John Hancock, Mr. Baruch's assistant; Mr. James M. Marks, Chairman of the Contract Termination Committee of the Automotive Council of America; Mr. Lucian W. Shaw, of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of America, and Mr. Tyson Stokes, Vice President of the Baldwin Locomotive Works.

Status of Promotion

Promotions and Vacancies on the Promotion List (Cumulative) and Promotions on the Non-Promotion List since 24 Dec. 1943

Promotion List

Last promotion to the grade of Colonel—Harold W. James, Inf., No. 45. Vacancies five.

Last nomination to the grade of Colonel—Edmund De T. Ellis, QMC, No. 52. Senior Lt. Colonel—Robert W. Strong, Cav., No. 53.

Last promotion to the grade of Lt. Colonel—George H. Bare, Inf., No. 200.

Last promotion to the grade of Major—Robert B. McCleave, Inf., No. 315.

Last promotion to the grade of Captain—Adrian L. Hoebeke, Inf., No. 298.

Last promotion to the grade of 1st Lt.—Francis M. Smith, Inf., No. 721.

Non-Promotion List

Lt. Col. to Col.

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Maneuver Accidents Analyzed

An analysis of accidents suffered during maneuvers was forwarded to Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, who found carelessness to be to blame in a majority of the accidents.

Soldiers with shorter periods of training were involved in a greater number of accidents. Relatively green men sustained 856 accidents, or approximately 75 per cent of the total. The record showed that the hours of darkness brought 450 injuries. Use of weapons, including gunshot wounds and other mishaps, caused 67. Injuries through accidents with Government vehicles numbered 490. Main causes for accidents, such as collisions and cars overturning, were blackouts, excessive speed, and drivers falling asleep at the wheel or being blinded by lights of approaching cars.

Head Service Commands

Assignment of Maj. Gen. Frederick E. Uhl to command the Fourth Service Command, with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., and Brig. Gen. Clarence H. Danielson to command the Seventh Service Command, with headquarters at Omaha, Nebr., was announced this week.

General Danielson will succeed General Uhl in the Seventh Service Command, and General Uhl will succeed Maj. Gen. William Bryden, whose new assignment has not been announced.

Honor General Somervell

Lt. Gen. Breton Somervell, Chief of the Army Service Forces, will receive one of two Awards "for outstanding contributions to construction progress," given each year to a non-member and to a member by The Moles, New York organization of tunnel and heavy construction men. Arthur A. Johnson, New York contractor and vice-president of The Moles, will receive the member Award.

Gen. Sultan Deputy Commander

Appointment of Maj. Gen. Daniel I. Sultan to the post of deputy commander of United States Army forces in China, Burma and India under Lt. Gen. Joseph L. Stilwell was announced at New Delhi, 4 Jan.

General Sultan's military career includes service on the War Department General Staff, duty as officer in charge of construction and maintenance of fortifications on Corregidor, Caballo and Grande Islands and as Engineer of the Philippine Department. In 1919 he served overseas on the General Staff of the AEF. Upon graduation from the Army War College in 1926 General Sultan remained in Washington as resident member of the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors. Ordered to Nicaragua in 1929, he was in charge of the interoceanic canal survey and in command of United States troops in that country.

In 1934 General Sultan was assigned as Engineer Commissioner for the District of Columbia, in which post he remained four years. Upon his promotion to brigadier general in 1938 he assumed command of Fort Logan, Colo., from which he was relieved in 1939 and assigned to the command of the 22nd Infantry Brigade, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

After promotion to the temporary rank of major general he was assigned the command of the 38th Division and subsequently of the VIII Army Corps.

Additional Infantry Promotions

Another category of noncommissioned officer has been authorized advancement one step in grade under a new War Department order.

Pending changes in organization and equipment tables, platoon guides (classification 651) will be advanced from sergeant to staff sergeant.

The advancement will be effective from 13 Dec. 1943, the same date on which other advancements in the infantry were authorized, including the advancement of one half of privates to privates first class.

The earlier order, in addition to promoting 50 per cent of the privates authorized one-step promotions for platoon sergeants (651), formerly staff sergeants; section leaders (652), formerly sergeants; squad leaders (653), formerly corporals or sergeants; battalion sergeant majors, formerly staff sergeants, and squad leader assistant (653), formerly corporals.

Flight Nurse Badge

Army Regulations 600-37 have been amended by the addition of paragraph 32½, authorizing a badge for flight nurses, as follows:

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Army Casualties

The War Department this week announced the names of 598 officers and enlisted men killed in action, 441 wounded in action and 418 missing in action.

A late announcement by the War Department deletes the name of 1st Lt. James W. Waddle from the list of those missing in action published last week, also the names of Capt. Paul N. Bell and 2nd Lt. Robert C. H. Prolow from the list of missing in action.

Following are the officers and upper three grades of enlisted personnel on the lists of those killed in action:

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1st Lt. A. J. Calvey 1st Lt. J. A. Beatty, Jr.
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2nd Lt. R. E. Beauchamp 2nd Lt. C. N. Gibson
1st Lt. M. M. Nichols, Jr. 1st Lt. J. D. Dunlap
2nd Lt. W. S. Balfie Maj. W. L. Younkin

Enlisted Personnel
S. Sgt. R. L. Johnson S. Sgt. A. J. Kelley
S. Sgt. W. E. Houser T. Sgt. W. T. Anderson
S. Sgt. W. P. McMickick T. Sgt. A. N. Bearmann
T. Sgt. J. M. Davis

KILLED IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. E. J. Gallagher 1st Lt. P. J. Raleigh
1st Lt. T. F. Bowe, 2nd Lt. C. E. Hough
jr.

KILLED IN EUROPEAN AREA

Officer Personnel
2nd Lt. F. O. Rolfe 1st Lt. H. F. Fricke
2nd Lt. W. A. Bechter 2nd Lt. J. A. Boyd
1st Lt. M. B. Coleman 1st Lt. J. J. Woerts
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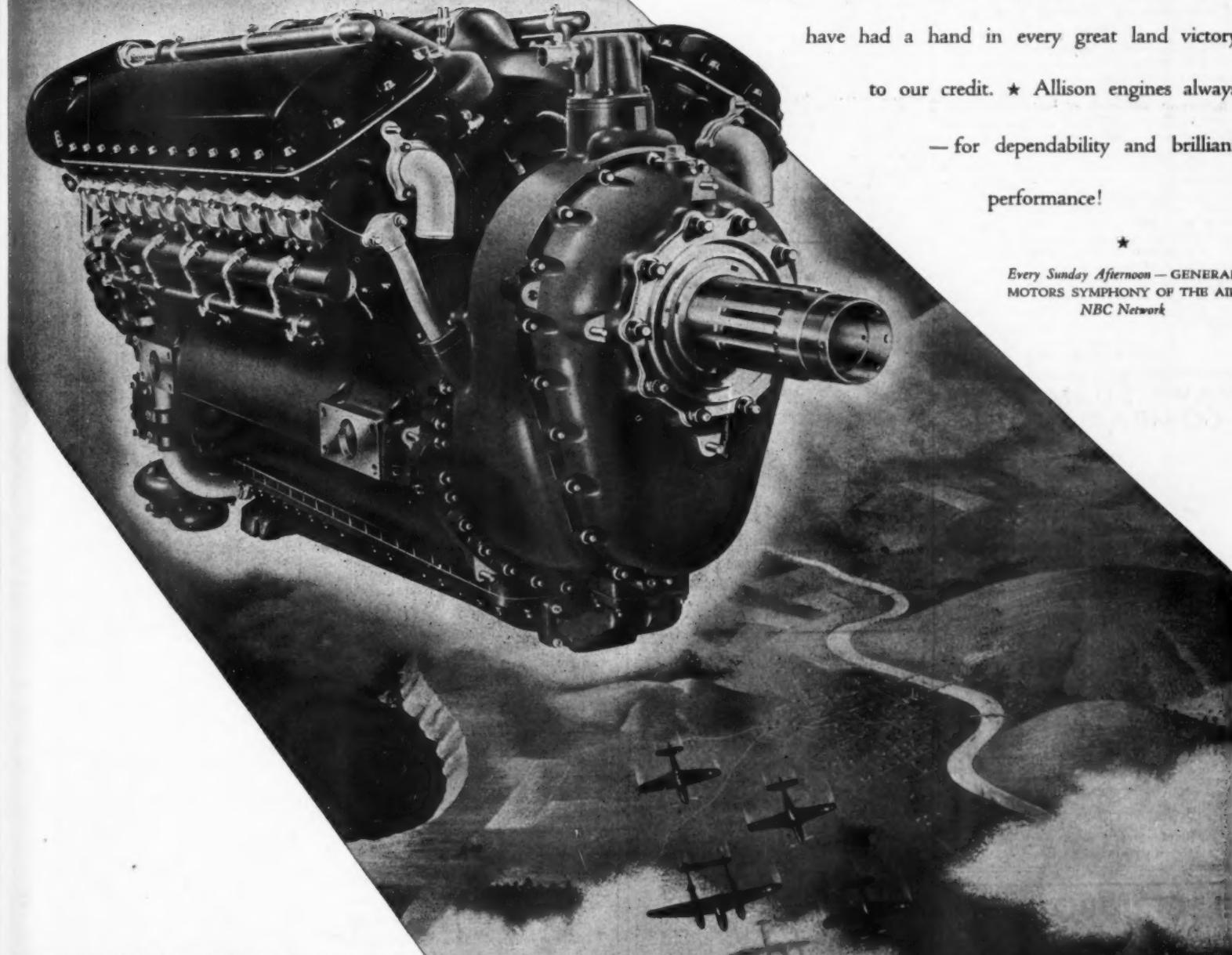
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Knights of the Bath

Vice Adm. H. K. Hewitt, commander of American naval forces in the North African theater, has been named Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath by King George VI; it was reported this week in press dispatches from London.

Others receiving honorary memberships as Knights of the Bath are Rear Adm. Spencer L. Lewis, Admiral Hewitt's chief of staff; Rear Admiral Richard L. Connolly, and Rear Admiral Loyal A. Davidson, for their part in the Sicilian campaign.

Promotion of Retired Enlisted Man

The Comptroller General has held (decision B-36390) that a Navy enlisted man who was retired and advanced on the retired list to the rank of warrant officer effective on the date of retirement pursuant to the act of 7 May 1932, and, who, while on active duty as an enlisted man after retirement, was promoted temporarily to the grade of commissioned warrant officer, should be regarded as having been appointed from an enlisted status so as to entitle him, under the saved pay provision of section 7(a) of the said 1941 act, as amended, to either the pay and allowances authorized for a commissioned warrant officer or the pay and allowances authorized for a warrant officer, whichever is greater, not to the pay of a warrant officer plus the allowances of a commissioned warrant officer.

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Navy-Marine Corps Commands

The Secretary of the Navy announced 4 Jan. that Vice Adm. John Wills Greenslade, USN, will reach the statutory retirement age on 11 Jan. 1944, which will effect a series of changes of command on the Pacific Coast, effective 1 Feb. 1944.

Rear Adm. David Worth Bagley, at present commandant of the 11th Naval District, will relieve Admiral Greenslade as commander of the Western Sea Frontier.

Rear Adm. Carleton Herbert Wright will relieve Admiral Greenslade as commandant of the 12th Naval District.

Rear Adm. Wilhelm Lee Friedell, who has been commandant of the Mare Island Navy Yard since Feb. 1941, will succeed Admiral Bagley as commandant of the 11th Naval District.

Mr. Knox also announced that Brig. Gen. DeWitt Peck, USMC, becomes a major general and succeeds Maj. Gen. Keller E. Rockey as assistant commandant of the Marine Corps. General Rockey takes command of the new 5th Marine Division.

Col. Gerald C. Thomas, is promoted to brigadier general and will become director of the Division of Plans and Policies.

Navy Retirements

The following retirements in the Navy became effective 1 Jan. 1944:

For Age 64	
Rear Adm. John F. Hatch (SC)	
Rear Adm. T. B. Richey	Comdr. H. C. Bean, (MC) USNR
Capt. N. L. Nichols	Lt. Cecil L. Crump, (MC) USNR
Capt. T. A. Thomson, Jr.	Comdr. J. A. Rebenstich (SC)
Capt. E. L. Vanderkloot	Comdr. N. R. Wade, (SC)
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Comdr. E. R. Duncan	Lt. E. J. Sullivan, (DC)
Comdr. L. M. Harvey	Ens. G. T. Helmig, (HC)
Comdr. J. S. Mark	Chf. Corp. J. T. Zumsteg
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Lt. (dg) J. G. Gau, USNR	Mach. John Barger, USNR
Ens. P. P. Arterburn	Mach. G. E. Warner
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Warns Against Jap Peace Bid

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In Washington this week, General Edson, who as Chief of Staff of the 2nd Marine Division, coordinated the attack on Tarawa, said that the enemy is willing to take large losses in the hope that we will quit before defeating them. Our victory at Tarawa, he said, indicated that "we can take from the Japs anything they have."

Japan has suffered shipping losses, he said, but their casualties to manpower are very light compared with their total strength and she holds what she held before Pearl Harbor.

Two Destroyers Lost

Two U. S. destroyers, the USS *Leary* and the USS *Turner* were announced this week as having been lost.

The *USS Leary*, a 1,000-ton destroyer completed in 1919, was torpedoed and sunk in the North Atlantic on 24 Dec. 1943.

The *USS Turner*, a 1,700-ton destroyer commissioned 15 April 1943, exploded and sank six miles off Sandy Hook, N. J., 3 Jan.

Comdr. James Ellsworth Kyes, USN, was the Commanding Officer of the *Leary*. Comdr. Henry Sollett Wygant, Jr., USN, commanded the *USS Turner*. Both are listed as missing in action.

May Choose Rank for Which Paid

The Comptroller General has held (decision B-37827) that a Navy enlisted man who, in good faith and without knowledge of his prior appointment as temporary warrant officer under the act of 24 July 1941, extended his enlistment during the intervening period between the date of issuance of the temporary appointment and the date of actual acceptance thereof, may elect to receive either the pay and allowances, including reenlistment and travel allowances, of his enlisted grade up to the date he *actually* accepted the temporary appointment, or the pay and allowances of his temporary grade or rank from the date of his appointment thereto.

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Announcements this week include the following:

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S2c J. F. Baca	S2c Irving Klein
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Cox J. N. Babalon	AMM2c D. W. Love
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S2c K. G. Caserly	S1c A. A. Linstri
AMM3c W. J. Cody	AOM2c R. J. W. Lauinger
AOM2c Joe Coppli	F2c A. C. Moore
CSK M. P. Dean	ARM2c D. J. Mueller
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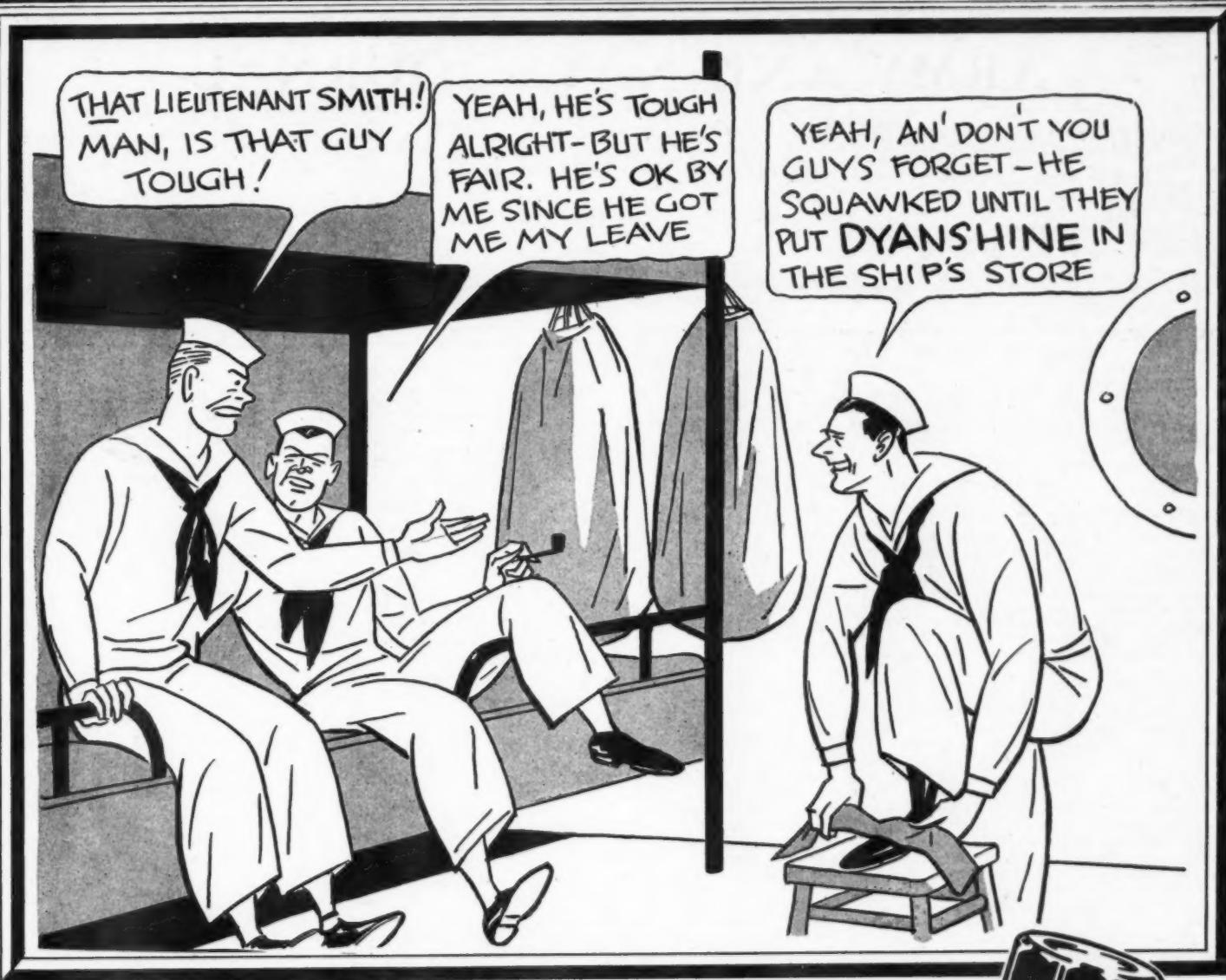
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What do servicemen think about? Dyanshine Liquid Shoe Polish for one thing—they bombard us with letters about their favorite shoe polish, with statements like these:

"I sort of depend on Dyanshine now, especially for inspection."

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about 8 months old and have used Dyanshine on them at all times—they really shine better than the day they left the factory."

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 1944

"I came away (from the war areas) with a tremendous respect for the energy and guts of our men and with a fervent hope that we at home will get hep to ourselves and give the boys all and more of the stuff they need with which to fight."—LT. GEN. WILLIAM S. KNUDSEN.

OUR PRIORITY LIST

1. Victory.
2. Assurance now that personnel and equipment for our land, sea, and air forces will be maintained after the present war at such strength as the responsible heads of those Services determine necessary to assure this nation against future aggressors.
3. Protection of Service personnel, active and retired, against undue reductions in their pay through imposition of the Victory tax and income taxes.
4. Institution of studies looking toward the protection and development of just post-war systems of promotion for personnel of the permanent establishments.
5. Strengthening of the post war status of the National Guard and Reserves to assure their efficiency and permanency with continuance of full training facilities after the war.
6. Upward revision of pension scales to assure Service widows a living income.
7. Compensation for service personnel who use privately owned automobiles on government business.

UNDER the guise of anonymity General Marshall spoke from an angered heart to the nation when he is quoted as having said that the railroad and steel strike threats were a great tragedy and the damnedest crime ever committed against America. What was concerning him and the Commander-in-Chief as well, for the latter, of course, inspired him to speak, were the evil consequences which they found had flowed from the intransigent attitude adopted by most of the Railroad Brotherhoods and the Steel Union. To the Chief of Staff had come the comprehensive reports of our Intelligence Officers and those of our Allies, and they convinced him that Goebbels propaganda was bolstering public morale in Germany and her satellite States by stressing the chaotic labor condition prevailing in America and by concluding therefrom that by merely holding on their peoples could be assured of a compromise peace. Knowing the effects of our bombing upon their own communications and factories, it was not difficult for them to appreciate that cessation of transportation and of steel production in the Arsenal of Democracy would greatly curtail the war activity of the United Nations. Shut down of the former would interrupt the delivery of supplies needed by our troops readying for the invasion of Europe, by those operating in the Mediterranean Area, by our forces in the Pacific, by our Navy and Marines hitting in all parts of the Seven Seas, and by our British, Russian and Chinese Allies. Likewise, shut down of steel mills even for a few days would lessen the output of planes, ships and munitions, so vitally needed for defense as well as offense everywhere. Thus by strikes and the threats of strikes in December, the Labor Organizations involved merited the slashing rebuke the Chief of Staff administered. The kindest thing one may say of their conduct is that they failed to realize that what they were doing was imperilling the lives of sons and brothers and the support our Allies must have. Informed by General Marshall, it is to be believed they will now understand that strikes are in fact sabotage as serious as the actual dynamiting of trains and of mills. Germany and Japan always have built their hope of preservation and of keeping their ill-gotten gains, upon the notion that the American people will become weary of war, and to them strikes are proof that this condition is growing and of our willingness to accept a stalemate. There is one way in which this conviction and the propaganda they are emitting, can be effectively answered. That is by the prompt institution of Universal Service. We expect the President to recommend this legislation in his Annual Message next week, and we shall rely upon Congress to enact it without delay. Thereby, prolongation of the war and the hundreds of thousands of casualties which General Marshall fears, would be averted.

THERE is a thrill of pride for all America in the record of Air Force accomplishments set forth by General H. H. Arnold is his report of the astounding growth of our infant pre-Pearl Harbor air arm to its present devastating strength. Credit for this unprecedented achievement is extended to the many factors that made the production of materiel possible, the management and labor in mines, mills, factories, and assembly plants, and to the millions of pilots, bombardiers, mechanics, engineers, physicians, etc., and the agencies which trained them to function as a united power and as a member of the team of the Army, and of the Navy as well. But a large share of the credit must be given to the sound studies and plans, laid years back by the War Department and its Air Corps, looking toward the day when an increase, even of unknown proportions, would be required by the exigencies of war. The smoothly operating fighting machines that humbled the pride of Nazi military might in Africa and Sicily and that is applying inexorable pressure upon the Japs in the Pacific, did not spring full bloomed from the present war. Rather are they the result of many careful conferences, of many minutely worked out plans in the General Staff, in the Air Corps, the Industrial College, the Procurement Planning offices in the field and of determination in advance of the methods by which peak production and peak training could be attained in the shortest time without sacrifice of high standards in efficiency either in men or materiel. The keynote of our successful employment of air power in war was sounded by General Arnold in his discussion of the harmony which marked the operations in the Mediterranean. "The Royal Air Force and the Army Air Force," he said, "functioned as a unit in Africa. *** Air and ground commands of both countries were as fully integrated. The ground commander and the air commander lived side by side in the same camp, ate together at the same mess, planned and operated on equal terms in the closest possible manner." "The Tunisian campaign," he asserted, "became another lucid demonstration of the soundness of having an airman run the air war while a soldier runs the ground war—but always working together." It is this unity of action, under a single commander, which is such a vital factor in our far flung war. "Always working together" the fighting forces of ground, sea, and air will bring victory to the United Nations.

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As busy as an air raid warden in Berlin.

Solicitous

Sarge: "Why do you keep looking at your wristwatch?"

Rookie: "I was afraid, sir, that you wouldn't have time to finish bawling me out."

Pointer

Their Good Point

She: "Undoubtedly soldiers make the best husbands."

Captain: "How is that?"

She: "Because they are accustomed to subordination."

Good News

Two Nazis met on a Berlin boulevard. "I have inside information," whispered the first, "about England's invasion."

"Vunderful," enthused the other, "when are dey comink?"

Scott Field Broadcaster

I Dare Ya

Capt.: "Why you dirty low-life—you dumb \$!@?* you!"

Pvt.: "Go ahead and break me—make me a civilian."

Rangefinder

Strong Language Justified

Little Steve, six, was a profanity addict, which caused his mother anguish no end.

One day Steve got an invitation to a playmate's birthday party. As he left the house, his mother's final caution was, "Stephen, I've asked Mrs. Wilson to send you straight home the minute you use one bad word."

Twenty minutes later Steve was back home. His mother was angry. Steve was sent to bed. His attempts at explanation were ignored. A little later, however, his mother softened and went upstairs to see how Steve was taking it. Sitting at his bedside she inquired:

"Tell me truthfully, Steve, just why Mrs. Wilson sent you home? What did you do?"

Little Steve, humiliated, but still wrathful replied:

"Do? Do hell! I didn't do nothing. That damned party ain't till tomorrow."

Pointer

Model Commission Report

Congressional committees accustomed to long annual reports from various government agencies must have been agreeably surprised when the following report was forwarded recently by the President:

Office of the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater Commission,
Washington, D. C.
November 17, 1943.

The President:

As provided in Public Act No. 397, Sixty-sixth Congress, the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater Commission has the honor to submit the annual report of said Commission as follows:

No suggestion or proposal for additional inscriptions, tablets, busts, or other memorials or for the entombment of any deceased members of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps within the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater in the Arlington National Cemetery. We having been received since the last annual report, the Commission has no recommendations to submit.

Henry L. Stimson,
Secretary of War, Chairman.

ASK THE JOURNAL

SEND your queries to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR and an answer will be given in this column as soon as possible after receipt.

R. L. S.—Since your query about medals you may be entitled to apparently relates to World War I Service, you are advised to write to the Decorations and Awards Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C., so that a definite answer can be made on the basis of your service record.

M. R.—An officer commissioned in the AUS from civil life can either be discharged outright or placed on inactive status. In the latter case, he is subject to recall. However, from the circumstances of your friend's age and training and the present surplus of officers, there is hardly any chance that he will be recalled and he should feel free to obtain civilian employment.

K. K. P.—The bill S. 758, which would extend the Army uniform allowance to West Point graduates, is still before House Military Committee. (See story, first page, 1 Jan. 1944, ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.)

C. S.—We suggest that your brother show his discharge papers to a representative of the Veterans' Administration, or to a claims agent of one of the national veterans' organizations, either of whom can inform him what benefits he is entitled to under the discharge.

S. A. D.—A person cannot draw both retired pay and a pension. In some cases, the pension being greater, the retired man can waive his retired pay in favor of the pension. The Veterans' Administration can give details on this matter.

R. F. H.—Retired pay of an officer of the AUS retired for disability in line of duty as an officer is 75% of his active duty pay. Enlisted service does NOT enter into the computation of pay for retirement purposes.

W. D. J.—No action has been taken on the bill which would permit those who hold the maximum in Government Life Insurance to take out up to \$10,000 in National Service Life Insurance.

P. E. T.—No action has been taken on the bill which would permit academy service to be counted for pay purposes. There is opposition to the bill. (See story, first page, 1 Jan. 1944 issue, ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.)

In The Journal

One Year Ago

South Pacific: Army and Marine Corps troops on Guadalcanal killed 114 Japanese in patrol skirmishes with the enemy. The Marines in an exchange of artillery and mortar fire destroyed an enemy mortar, a machine gun position, and killed between 30 and 40 Japanese.

10 Years Ago

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hart were at home on New Year's day in the Superintendent's quarters at the Naval Academy, and beginning with the first Sunday in January Mrs. Hart will resume her Sunday afternoons at home.

25 Years Ago

Mrs. Frederick W. Stopford, wife of Col. Stopford, 80th F.A., USA, is at 188 Rawson Road, Brookline, Mass., during Colonel Stopford's absence in France and Germany in the Army of Occupation. William and Robert Stopford are attending the Brookline High School.

50 Years Ago

Ens. Edwin T. Pollock, USN, was married 5 Dec., at the residence of the bride, near Mansfield, Ohio, to Miss Beatrice Law Hale, daughter of the late Hugh Hale, Esq.

80 Years Ago

Of the whole number of men held to service under the first draft, about one-seventh served in person, two-sevenths served by substitute, and four-sevenths paid the commutation money.

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General Henry H. Arnold
Commanding General, Army Ground Forces
Lieutenant General Lesley J. McNair
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Lieutenant General George B. Somervell

Army Casualties

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KILLED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA

Officer Personnel
2nd Lt. R. H. Fredolf
2nd Lt. A. L. Goldenberg
Capt. E. Stewart
1st Lt. E. E. Fager
1st Lt. S. P. Knight
2nd Lt. M. M. Bernstein
1st Lt. H. E. Eyerley
Capt. F. W. Affey
2nd Lt. G. A. Allen
2nd Lt. C. G. Johnson
2nd Lt. R. A. Madden
2nd Lt. H. A. Hender-
son

Enlisted Personnel
8. Sgt. R. S. Harris
1st Sgt. R. J. Burns
8. Sgt. O. H. Wing
8. Sgt. R. O. Block
8. Sgt. H. D. Bohn-
sack
8. Sgt. D. H. Knight
8. Sgt. J. A. Palka
8. Sgt. L. C. Scott

KILLED IN MIDDLE EASTERN AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. D. L. McClellan

KILLED IN PACIFIC AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. P. J. Flory

Enlisted Personnel
8. Sgt. A. S. Feller

KILLED IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

Officer Personnel
1st Lt. F. W. Kritz
1st Lt. R. W. Mc-
macher
1st Lt. R. A. Meister
2nd Lt. C. J. Houster
Capt. J. Olear

Enlisted Personnel
8. Sgt. P. J. LaGarde
1st Sgt. W. D. Ball-
son
2nd Sgt. W. H. Purdin
8. Sgt. M. M. Mc-
Millan
8. Sgt. L. B. Butt
8. Sgt. W. M. Cutway
8. Sgt. C. J. Hughey
T. Sgt. F. Esposito

Officers included in the lists of wounded and missing are as follows:

WOUNDED IN ASIATIC AREA

2nd Lt. D. A. Devaurs
2nd Lt. R. R. Murray
2nd Lt. G. F. Stephens

WOUNDED IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

2nd Lt. A. A. Slinkus
2nd Lt. E. R. Ander-
son
2nd Lt. D. J. Craw-
ford
1st Lt. E. Gill

WOUNDED IN EUROPEAN AREA

2nd Lt. R. M. Simons
2nd Lt. W. C. Fort
2nd Lt. A. W. Hodell
2nd Lt. J. J. King
2nd Lt. A. V. Logan
2nd Lt. R. Klein
1st Lt. J. D. Wilson
2nd Lt. W. C. Upson
2nd Lt. C. F. Mason
2nd Lt. T. A. Helman

WOUNDED IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA

2nd Lt. F. Jackson
2nd Lt. R. G. Hick-
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2nd Lt. J. F. Spillane
2nd Lt. O. W. Webb
2nd Lt. J. A. Roth-
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2nd Lt. R. W. Porter

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2nd Lt. H. C. Hunt
2nd Lt. J. F. Roplock
1st Lt. L. W. Robert-
son
1st Lt. C. D. Boyle
1st Lt. J. C. Duff
Capt. J. W. Lasell
2nd Lt. J. E. Mc-
Laughlin, Jr.
Capt. J. L. Porter

MISSING IN ASIATIC AREA

1st Lt. H. P. Mac-
Pherson
1st Lt. A. D. DuBose
Lt. Col. E. C. Plum-
mer
Maj. R. L. Dewsnap
2nd Lt. R. T. Colbert

MISSING IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

2nd Lt. R. S. Baker
2nd Lt. W. E. Bar-
wick
2nd Lt. G. R. Dechert
2nd Lt. J. D. Foard
2nd Lt. A. C. Hensler
2nd Lt. L. J. Stae-
bell, Jr.

MISSING IN EUROPEAN AREA

2nd Lt. J. M. Kelly
2nd Lt. David Randle
2nd Lt. R. D. Bow-
man
2nd Lt. W. J. Dolgin
2nd Lt. G. D. Gio-
vannini
2nd Lt. G. C. Hale
1st Lt. H. B. Mason
2nd Lt. J. K. Perrine
1st Lt. S. C. Weil-
ham
2nd Lt. G. H. McCray
2nd Lt. D. E. Noxon
2nd Lt. Carl Carlson
2nd Lt. R. O. Jylkka
2nd Lt. J. H. Duncan
2nd Lt. J. J. Long
Capt. D. H. Dalton
2nd Lt. G. W. Luke,
Jr.
2nd Lt. C. L. Early
Maj. S. Dilling-
ham
2nd Lt. T. H. Parker
2nd Lt. R. J. Horn-
beck
2nd Lt. M. W. Huff-
man
2nd Lt. R. G. Kessler
2nd Lt. R. F. Wright
2nd Lt. D. M. Curtis
2nd Lt. F. H. Drag-
go
1st Lt. M. E. Fletcher
2nd Lt. P. H. Hughes
2nd Lt. R. G. Christensen
1st Lt. J. T. Welby,
Jr.
2nd Lt. E. H. Strick-
bine
2nd Lt. W. Chyle, Jr.
2nd Lt. W. E. Mitchell
1st Lt. W. L. Swope
2nd Lt. J. R. LeBlanc
2nd Lt. W. L. Loh-
mann
1st Lt. W. A. Bouch-
ard
1st Lt. A. J. Boles
2nd Lt. L. D. Langley
2nd Lt. M. J. Pucko
2nd Lt. B. Cipriano
2nd Lt. J. R. Lincoln
1st Lt. A. C. Harris
2nd Lt. D. G. Nelson
FO H. V. Sunde
1st Lt. E. P. Harris
2nd Lt. F. J. Coch-
ran, Jr.

MISSING IN MIDDLE EASTERN AREA

1st Lt. T. P. Fravoga
2nd Lt. Fred Larson
2nd Lt. C. H. LeFevre
2nd Lt. F. Mitchell
1st Lt. H. P. Bolick,
Jr.

MISSING IN PACIFIC AREA

1st Lt. T. P. Fravoga
2nd Lt. A. R. T. Ham-
bright
2nd Lt. J. R. Akins
2nd Lt. F. A. Brum-
blee
2nd Lt. C. V. Cope-
land
1st Lt. T. P. Fravoga
2nd Lt. A. R. T. Ham-
bright
2nd Lt. J. R. Akins
2nd Lt. F. A. Brum-
blee
2nd Lt. C. V. Cope-
land
1st Lt. W. W. Dillard
2nd Lt. S. E. Drake
1st Lt. H. R. Ketchum
2nd Lt. G. E. Leed-
ker, Jr.
2nd Lt. W. H. Mc-
Cown
1st Lt. J. H. McGahee
1st Lt. E. L. Smith
2nd Lt. E. M. Boyce,
Jr.
1st Lt. J. M. Wurzer

MISSING IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

1st Lt. K. L. Cassidy
2nd Lt. R. F. Ward
2nd Lt. D. G. McBee,
Jr.

MISSING IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA

1st Lt. R. W. New-
bury
2nd Lt. H. A. Dew
1st Lt. M. C. Reeves

MISSING IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

2nd Lt. K. L. Cassidy
2nd Lt. J. G. Reed
1st Lt. G. E. Wallin-
der

Navy Casualties
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AMM3c E. A. Shubert
S2c E. W. Stanton
SC3c J. E. Tatlock
Sic E. P. Valdez
GM3c C. P. Velikie
Cox H. L. Webb
AMM2c D. W. Well-
man

U. S. Marine Corps
*Pvt. H. R. Acker
man
Cpl. C. O. Adams
Pvt. R. H. Agnew
Pvt. Randolph Allen
Pvt. V. M. Anderson
Cpl. D. J. Andra-
son
Pvt. Olaf Arndt
Pvt. J. M. Armstrong
Pvt. J. E. Barden
W. P. Sgt. E. C.
Barker

Pvt. R. E. Bemis
Pvt. E. W. Benavides
Pvt. W. A. Bibauff
Pvt. E. L. Birdsong
Pvt. E. E. Bishop
Pvt. J. L. Blodgett
Sgt. D. R. Blodgett
Pvt. K. D. Bohne
Pvt. G. W. Bowen
Pvt. J. A. Boylan
Cpl. D. B. Bozarth,
Jr.

Pvt. Richard Braun
Pvt. W. B. Brindley
Pvt. R. E. Brock
Pvt. Anthony Bro-
zyna

*Cpl. N. L. Brueckner
Pvt. H. B. Burch
Pvt. M. G. Burrows
Pvt. B. J. Byrnes

2nd Lt. G. A. Cobb
WO. F. M. Howard
1st Lt. H. P. Mac-
Pherson
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2nd Lt. G. A. Ballagh
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2nd Lt. J. A. Leo, Jr.
2nd Lt. J. R. Morgan
2nd Lt. E. D. Smith
1st Lt. W. Boom-
hower

MISSING IN CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

2nd Lt. R. E. Lee
Cpl. A. L. Lindberg
Cpl. J. R. Logan, Jr.
Pvt. R. P. Maguire
Sgt. B. A. Marble
Sgt. S. J. Marchwicki
Cpl. L. J. Martines
Cpl. C. E. Mason
Pvt. S. E. Massey
Pvt. W. C. Mattern
Sgt. Ugo Murielio
Sgt. S. J. Mayer
Pvt. Q. W. McCall
Cpl. R. W. McCoy
Pvt. A. A. McDonald

MISSING IN EUROPEAN AREA

2nd Lt. G. A. Ballagh
2nd Lt. L. L. Dahne
2nd Lt. A. D. Dickson
2nd Lt. J. A. Leo, Jr.
2nd Lt. J. R. Morgan
2nd Lt. E. D. Smith
1st Lt. W. Boom-
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NAVY DEPARTMENT

No. 403, 1 Jan.

1. In the early morning of 29 Nov. 1943, the U. S. Destroyer Perkins was sunk as the result of a collision, off the southeast coast of New Guinea.

2. During the morning of 17 Dec. 1943, the Coastal Transport APC-21 was sunk by enemy aircraft, off the southern coast of New Britain Island.

3. The next of kin of the casualties in the Perkins have been notified. The next of kin of the casualties in the APC-21 will be notified as soon as possible.

No. 404, 3 Jan.

1. A. U. S. Destroyer was torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic on 24 Dec. 1943. The next of kin of the casualties aboard the destroyer will be notified by telegram as soon as casualty reports are received.

2. On 31 Dec. 1943, a group of Army bombers bombed Paramushiro. Results were not observed. All of our planes returned safely.

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HQ.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

28 December

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kai-
vien: Our medium units in a night raid
caused explosions and large fires in enemy
supplies.New Britain: Cape Hoskins: Our night
patrols bombed the airdrome.Arwae: The enemy's ground forces made
three attacks on our right flank, all of which
were repulsed. Our attack planes bombed and
strafed trails in the Pulie River area. Minor
night enemy air raids caused no damage.
After dawn, twenty escorted enemy dive
bombers ineffectively attacked our shipping.
Two bombers were shot down by anti-air-
craft fire.Cape Gloucester: Our ground forces had
consolidated their beachheads and are
advancing inland. Enemy opposition was
encountered at Target Hill. The air strips and
Borgen Bay targets are under our artillery
fire.New Guinea: Huon Peninsula: Our air
patrols strafed villages near Walingal. Our
light naval craft destroyed two enemy barges
at Nambarwa.Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Buka Area:
Our torpedo-bombers effectively attacked
gun positions at Buka, Bonis and Sohona Is-
lands with thirty-four tons of explosives.Kela: Our fighter patrols strafed enemy
installations along the coast from Arawa Bay
to Tinapu.Empress Augusta Bay: Our torpedo and
dive-bombers in three attacks dropped thir-

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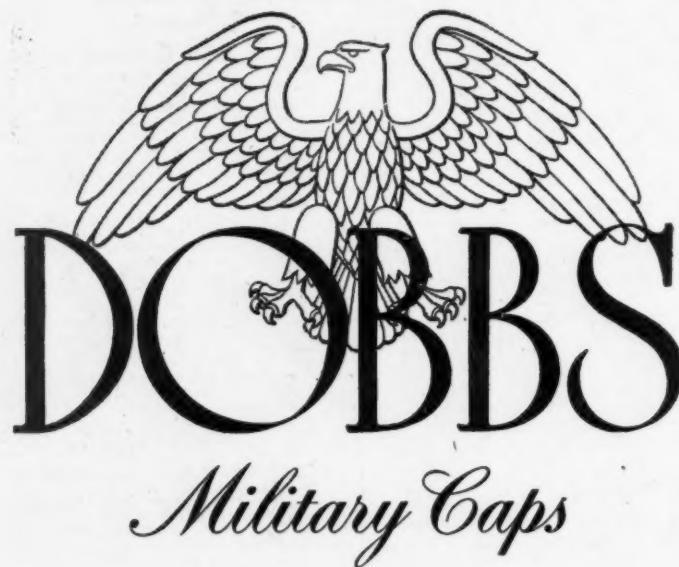
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ty tons of explosives on enemy positions at Torokina and Mutupina Point.

Buin-Faisi: Our night air patrols harassed Kahili and Faisi. Our torpedo and dive-bombers attacked gun positions on Kangu Hill.

29 December

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium bombers at night attacked dispersal and supply dump areas at Kavieng and Panapah airdromes, causing explosions and large fires.

Cape St. George: Our medium units and escorting fighters from Solomons bases bombed and strafed enemy installations on the Cape. One of our planes is missing. Our Solomons-based night air patrols sank a troop-loaded barge in St. George Channel, destroyed one small cargo ship on the East Cape and scored two direct hits on another.

New Britain: Our air patrols strafed airdrome installations, destroyed a parked enemy fighter at Cape Hoskins, bombed Lindenhausen Plantation at Gasmata and bombed and damaged building installations on Una Island.

Arawe: Our ground patrols skirmished with the enemy. Hostile planes harassed our positions during the night without material effect. Three were shot down by ground fire. After dawn, an enemy force of fifty dive-bombers and fighters was intercepted and scattered by our air patrols. Thirty enemy planes were shot down in air combat. Our light naval craft destroyed four additional planes. Our losses were light.

Cape Gloucester: Our ground forces in the east sector in heavy rain are expanding their beachhead perimeter and advancing with the assistance of tanks toward the airdrome. Large quantities of supplies, ammunition and artillery have been captured. Four enemy counter-attacks have been repulsed. Our losses have been extremely light.

In the west sector, our troops have established their positions and are patrolling enemy territory. Our heavy, medium and attack planes, in ground support, dropped 150 tons of bombs on enemy defenses and strafed airdromes in the area. Four of thirty-six enemy planes which attacked during the morning were shot down by ship gunfire.

New Guinea: Ramu Valley: Our ground troops, supported by artillery and dive-bombing attacks, captured an enemy position on precipitous Shaggy Ridge, north of Dumbu.

Madang: Our escorted medium units bombed the airdrome and supply installations at Arima Plantation, causing explosions and fires. One parked enemy plane was burned.

Huon Peninsula: Our ground forces, continuing their drive up the coast, have captured Ago and the enemy's barge supply base at Wallingal. Quantities of supplies and equipment

ment, including artillery were captured. Our medium units and attack planes in support bombed and strafed defended positions ahead of our ground forces from Wallingal to Kanom.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Buka Area: Our night air patrols bombed Chabai and Tairogel at Matchin Bay and Buri on the east coast.

Kletia: Our torpedo and dive-bombers attacked the harbor area at intervals during the day, dropping fifty-six tons of explosives and strafing. Forty buildings and many huts were destroyed. Our medium units bombed Chivarol, destroying a bridge.

Buin: Our medium units bombed enemy bivouac and supply areas at Kahili. Our night air patrols bombed Kahili and Faisi.

30 December

Northwestern Sector: Celebes: Our heavy units bombed and damaged two 3,000-ton enemy transports in a convoy south of Buton Island. One vessel was observed listing.

Netherlands New Guinea: One of our medium units bombed and strafed Enarotal and other villages in the Wissel Lakes area.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium bombers attacked Panapah airdrome, causing explosions and many fires in revetments and storage areas. A South Pacific air patrol bombed seven barges off the coast.

Feni Island: Our medium units attacked barges at Feni and at Ambitie Island in the Green Group.

Admiralty Islands: One of our heavy reconnaissance units attacked and destroyed an enemy bomber on Lorengau airdrome.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons-based fighters in a sweep over the enemy air base shot down eight fighters and probably one other of sixty which intercepted. We lost one plane.

Cape Hoskins: Our heavy units dropped fifty-one tons of bombs on the airdrome, causing large explosions and fires. Our long-range fighters strafed three barges and airdrome installations.

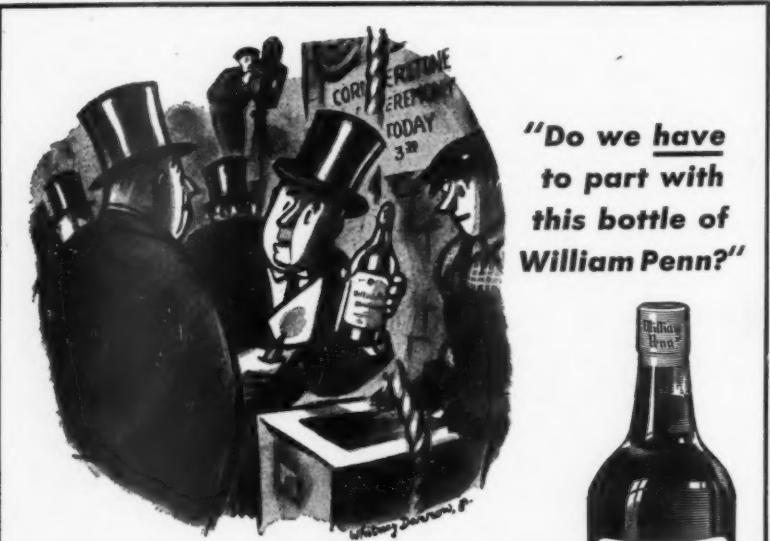
Gasmata: Our air patrols strafed the airdrome and installations at Cape Dampier.

Arawe: Ground clashes with the enemy by our patrols took place north of our lines. Our medium and attack planes destroyed two enemy barges west of Cape Peiho and bombed and strafed trails along the Pule River. Two minor enemy air raids occurred during the night.

Cape Gloucester: Expansion of our general landing area is in progress against sharply increased opposition. Supported by artillery and air bombardment, a coordinated attack advanced our western perimeter to within a mile of the airdrome. The enemy, initially disposed in a coastline cordon of defense, has effected local concentrations in the airstrip and in Borgen Bay areas and is operating against our eastern perimeter in strength.

Our attack planes executed direct-support missions against enemy defense positions at the airdrome. Our medium units bombed and

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strafed coastal villages and barge bases from Rottok to Riebeck Bay.

New Guinea: Alexihafen: Our escorted heavy units bombed anti-aircraft positions at the airdrome and on Admosin Island with seventy-two tons of explosives. Several positions were silenced and fires were started. A parked enemy bomber was destroyed. Our medium units attacking Madang airdrome started fires.

Huon Peninsula: Our ground troops continued to advance and have reached Blucher Point. Our medium units on air patrols attacked coastal villages and barges from Boggadim to Sio. Six barges were destroyed or damaged. Our fighters dive-bombed the coast trail north of Blucher Point. Nine enemy bombers ineffectively raided Finschhafen after dark.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Buka Area: Our escorted medium, torpedo and dive-bombers dropped fifty-four tons of explosives on the seaplane base and on anti-aircraft positions near Ramandata. Two gun emplacements were destroyed and fires were started. Our air patrols raided airdromes and Numa Numa at night.

Klets: Our medium bombers attacked enemy bivouacs. Our naval units thoroughly bombed enemy shore installations before dusk.

Empress Augusta Bay: Ground activity was limited to patrolling. Artillery fire was exchanged. Our torpedo bombers attacked enemy positions in the northeast sector.

Buin: Our medium units bombed enemy supply dumps at Kahili. A heavy bomber raided at night.

31 December
Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium units bombed enemy supply installations at night, causing fires at Kayleng and Panapal airdromes.

New Britain: Rabaul: In a sweep over enemy airdromes our Solomons-based fighters shot down eighteen enemy fighters and probably destroyed a number of others. Three of our planes are missing. Delayed reports add nine more fighters to enemy losses of the previous day.

Cape Hoskins: Our air patrols strafed installations at airdromes and destroyed a barge at Cape Dampier.

Wide Bay: Our long-range fighters destroyed a fuel-laden barge at the Berg River and strafed Kalai Plantation. A night air patrol bombed Gasmata airdrome.

Cape Gloucester: We have captured Cape Gloucester with its airfields. Following an intense air preparation our ground forces took the positions by assault. Full occupation was completed by noon of 30 Dec.

Arawe: Ground patrolling into enemy territory continues. Ten enemy planes ineffectively raided the area at night.

New Guinea: Ramu Valley: Our ground

forces are consolidating newly won positions on Shaggy Ridge. An enemy counter-attack was repulsed.

Huon Peninsula: Our ground patrols are pushing north of Blucher Point. Our fighters carried out strafing sweeps along the coast from Sio, reaching as far as Hansa Bay. Three bridges were set on fire and various targets of opportunity were machine-gunned. Enemy aircraft raided Finschhafen and Langemak Bay during the night with light damage. One plane was shot down by anti-aircraft fire.

Solomons (South Pacific Forces): Bougainville: Buka: Our heavy units bombed enemy supply areas at Bonis and Buka. Our fighters started fires at Numunuma. At Ceramiatet they bombed Geser Village, starting fires visible forty miles, and left a 1,000-ton cargo ship in flames from strafing.

Empress Augusta Bay: Our ground troops destroyed an enemy strong point east of the Tokokina River mouth. Our torpedo bombers strafed enemy positions at Jaba River. One of our naval units bombarded defensive installations at Reini River.

Buin: Our medium and heavy units bombed Kahili, destroying a gun position and starting fires. Our torpedo and dive-bombers struck at anti-aircraft positions on Poporang, Shortland and Faisi Islands, hitting gun batteries and causing fuel fires. Our light naval craft at night sank two loaded enemy barges at Torau Bay and damaged a third.

January

Northwestern Sector: Dutch New Guinea: Our heavy units bombed shipping in the harbor at Manokwari. Four of ten intercepting fighters were shot down. At Ceramiatet they bombed Geser Village, starting fires visible forty miles, and left a 1,000-ton cargo ship in flames from strafing.

Empress Augusta Bay: Our ground troops destroyed an enemy strong point east of the Tokokina River mouth. Our torpedo bombers strafed enemy positions at Jaba River. One of our naval units bombarded defensive installations at Reini River.

Timor: Our long-range fighters sweeping northeast strafed and damaged two coastal vessels off Lauten.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium units bombed anti-aircraft de-

drome at night, starting fires.

New Britain: Gasmata: Our night patrols bombed the airdromes.

Grove Island: Our heavy reconnaissance units bombed installations at Peter Harbor.

Arawe: Light patrol contacts were reported.

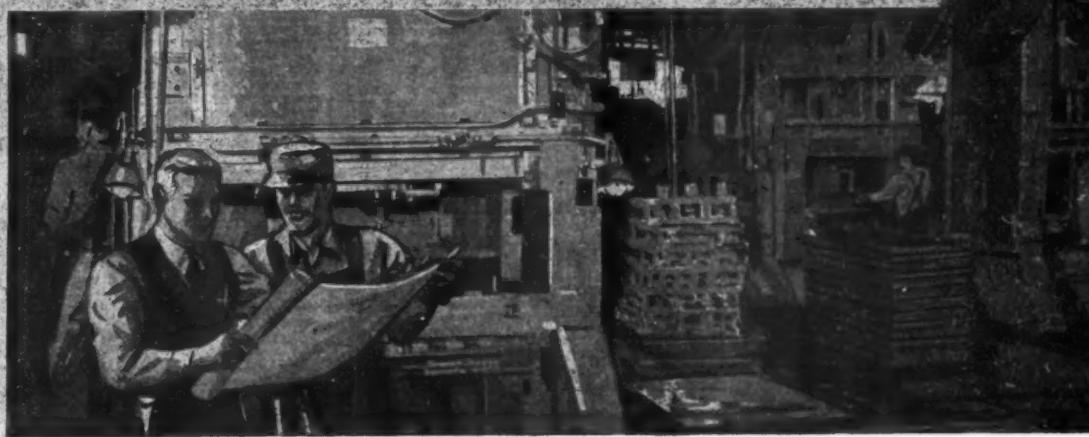
Cape Gloucester: Our ground troops are consolidating their positions. Abortive enemy attacks on our original beachheads were heavily repulsed. Our attack planes in direct ground support bombed and strafed enemy positions along the coast near Sageag and northwest of Natamo. Our air patrols strafed installations on Rook Island.

Madang: Our escorted medium units attacked anti-aircraft positions at Madang and Bellau Island and installations in Bill Bill Village with fifty-five tons of bombs. Our escorted heavy units bombed anti-aircraft de-

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fenses at Alexishafen with seventy-two tons, silencing gun positions and starting fires. Ramu Valley Patrol skirmishes occurred.

Ramu Peninsula: Our advance elements are in contact with the enemy rear guard north of Blucher Point. Our heavy units bombed bivouac areas near Slo and medium units bombed and strafed enemy installations in the Nambariwa area. Our air patrols in numerous sweeps along the Ral coast strafed targets of opportunity, including barges and shore installations.

Solomon Islands: Our night patrols harassed Kieta, Kabili and Shortland Island. Adverse weather hindered all air operations.

2 January

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium units bombed Kavieng and Panapal airfields, starting fires, and our day air patrols strafed the enemy bivouacs on Mussau Island.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons-based heavy units bombed the harbor and township at midday, causing fires. Twelve fighters of a defending enemy force were shot down, with nine others probable.

Talasea: Our air patrols strafed six barges at Cape Holloman.

Arave: Our troops are mopping up enemy remnants around the perimeter. A pre-dawn raid by a single enemy plane caused no damage. At midday a force of escorted enemy bombers was dispersed by our air patrols. Eight bombers and four fighters were shot down, and two additional fighters were probably destroyed.

Cape Gloucester: We are enlarging our positions around the airfield and beachheads. Over thousand enemy dead have been found abandoned within our attack limits. Total casualties are estimated at many times this figure. Large quantities of supplies and equipment, including damaged airplanes and artillery, have been captured. Our attack planes bombed and strafed enemy positions from Alaldo to Namaramanga. An enemy plane raided after dusk, causing minor casualties. In the west sector, an enemy ground attack against our perimeter was repulsed with heavy losses.

New Guinea: Madang: Our escorted medium and heavy units bombed extensively and strafed enemy installations in the area dropping a total of 235 tons of explosives. Gun positions, supply and bivouac areas at Alexishafen airfield and township, Madang, Billeau Island, Bodadjim and Erima Plantation were heavily hit by successive waves. Many large fires were started and damage was widespread. There was no interception. Huon Peninsula: Our ground forces have pressed up the coast to the vicinity of Nuzen.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Empress Augusta Bay: Our ground patrols continue to be active. Our light naval surface units shelled Tekessi River mouth and destroyed a bridge on the main road to Bui.

Buin: Our medium units bombed Kabili and Korova at midday, starting fires in the supply areas. A heavy units bombed Malini village and our night air patrols harassed the enemy in the Shortlands.

3 January

Northwestern Sector: Reconnaissance activity only.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our medium bombers at night raided enemy supply dumps near the airfield, causing many fires.

Admiralty Islands: One of our night air patrols attacked two enemy cargo ships of 5,000 and 5,000 tons in Hyanc Harbor, sinking the larger with a direct hit amidships by a 1,000-pound bomb and damaging the other.

New Britain: Cape Hoskins: One of our night reconnaissance units damaged an enemy destroyer in Kimbe Bay with a direct hit by a 500-pound bomb, bombed the airfield and strafed installations on Garove Island.

Gasmata: Our escorted dive-bombers attacked supply dump areas, another jetty, causing fires. Our air patrols strafed a small enemy surface craft near Klep in Wide Bay.

Cape Gloucester: Our positions are being consolidated while our patrols are penetrating into enemy-held territory. Our medium and attack planes bombed and strafed enemy shore positions in Borgen Bay. Our air patrols swept the coast from Borgen to Riebeck Bay, wrecking five barges.

New Guinea: Saldor: We have seized Saldu on the north coast of New Guinea. In a combined operation by ground, sea and air forces, elements of the Sixth Army landed on three beaches under cover of heavy air and naval bombardment. The enemy was surprised, both strategically and tactically, and the landings were accomplished without loss. The harbor and airfield are in our firm grasp. Enemy forces on the north coast between the Sixth Army and advancing Australians are trapped with no source of supply and they face disintegration and destruction.

Madang: Our escorted medium units bombed anti-aircraft positions at the town, ships at Bellau Island, Alexishafen airfield and supply dumps at Billi Billi village. Our air patrols strafed coastal targets near Bunabuna Harbor.

Huon Peninsula: Our escorted medium, heavy and attack planes bombed and strafed enemy installations between Slo and Saldor and adjacent coastal villages. Over 200 tons of bombs were dropped, causing numerous fires and much damage. Our air patrols strafed six barges off Reiss Point and coast villages near Slo. A single enemy plane harmlessly raided Flinschhausen before dawn.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Buka Area: One of our air patrols bombed Green Island.

Empress Augusta Bay: Our torpedo and dive-bombers destroyed two bridges near Noni Point. Our medium units bombed Kleta before dawn.

Buin: Our medium and heavy units bombed Kabili supply and bivouac areas.

4 January

Northwestern Sector: Celebes: Our heavy units bombed the jetty and barracks area at Ponella, starting large fires.

Arv Island: Our long-range fighters on a harassing sweep over Terangan Island strafed Meror Village.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Kavieng: Our carrier-based bombers and fighters from the Solomons attacked an enemy force of two heavy cruisers and two destroyers. Both cruisers were hit by bombs and torpedoes and set afire. One of the destroyers was hit by a bomb, and both were heavily strafed. Eleven of thirty intercepting fighters were shot down over the target with four others probable. A bomber and another fighter on reconnaissance were later destroyed. Our medium units at night caused explosions and fires in the airdrome, dispersal and supply areas. An air patrol bombed and strafed installations on Mussau Island.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our Solomons-based heavy units with fighter escort bombed Lakunai airfield at midday, starting fires and destroying one enemy bomber on the ground. Eighteen enemy fighters were reported shot down and several others probably destroyed.

Gasmata: Our escorted dive-bombers attacked enemy installations near Government Station, causing fires. Our air patrols bombed Ring Ring and strafed Kalai Plantation in Wide Bay.

Vitu Islands: One of our heavy reconnaissance units bombed and destroyed two barges in Peter Harbor.

Cape Gloucester: Our ground forces are extending their perimeters. Two light enemy air raids under cover of darkness caused no damage.

Arave: Outpost clashes occurred on the right flank of our position. A minor pre-dawn air raid was ineffective.

New Guinea: Madang: Our escorted medium units bombed enemy supply dumps at Billi Billi and Erima Plantation, with fifty-two tons of explosives, causing numerous fires. Our air patrols carried out several sweeps in this area and along the coast to Hatzfeld and Uligan Harbors, strafing targets of opportunity.

Saldor: Our ground forces overcame light enemy resistance and secured final objectives. Our heavy units and attack planes with fighter escort bombed and strafed installations at Helmholtz Point, Gumbi Plantation, Bidule River and along the coast to Slo. One hundred and twenty-six tons of bombs were dropped, starting fires in targets. Our light naval units at night sank two enemy barges off Vlunke Point.

Huon Peninsula: Our ground forces have captured Nuzen and are pushing up the coast toward Wald Bay.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Empress Augusta Bay: Our torpedo dive-bombers effectively attacked enemy positions along the Tokorina River and Mosigetta. Our medium units attacked installations at Kabili and on the northeast coast bombed and strafed an enemy barge near Numa Numa. Our air patrols on coastal sweeps strafed targets at Queen Carol Harbor on Buka, villages at Matchin Bay and Kieta and damaged two barges at Tonolei.

Bougainville Straits: Our night air patrols bombed and strafed six barges near Oema Island.

5 January

Northwestern Sector: Timor: Our heavy units bombed the building area at Atambua.

Northeastern Sector: New Ireland: Cape Siara: Our night patrols bombed the area.

Kavieng: Our medium bombers in a midnight attack bombed and strafed Panapai and Kavieng airfields and waterfronts. Numerous fires were started near the wharf and supply dump area.

New Britain: Rabaul: Our medium units attacked Lakunai airfield at night with thirty-two tons of bombs, causing explosions and fires. In a midday fighter sweep over the area, planes from our Solomons bases shot down eleven of thirty intercepting enemy fighters and probably destroyed three others. Our losses were light.

Wide Bay—Cape Hoskins—Gasmata: Our air patrols attacked enemy targets at Wide Bay, strafed dispersal or dump areas at Cape Hoskins airfield, destroyed or damaged one schooner, one lighter, two barges off the coast and bombed Lindenhausen Plantation.

Cape Gloucester: An enemy counter-attack near Sillimati Point was decisively defeated with 200 enemy killed. Our attack planes bombed and strafed enemy positions in Borgen Bay.

New Guinea: Madang: Our heavy and medium units attacked supply dumps at Madang and gun positions at Alexishafen, starting fires, and our fighters destroyed bridges on the Bogadjim Road.

Saldor: Our ground forces have consolidated their positions and are pushing out patrols. Quantities of abandoned supplies and ammunition have been captured.

Slo: Our light units at night sank two loaded enemy barges off Reiss Point and two others at Nambariwa.

Huon Peninsula: Our ground forces driving up the coast have passed Sialum and are advancing on Kelana.

Solomon Islands: Bougainville: Our medium units bombed supply concentrations at Buka airfield, starting fires.

Empress Augusta Bay: Our torpedo and dive-bombers attacked enemy positions near the Tokorina River mouth, starting fires. One of our night fighters intercepted and shot down an enemy bomber attempting to raid the area.

HQ. ALGIERS 28 December

There have been no large-scale movements on the Fifteenth Army Group front in Italy for the last twenty-four hours. Canadian troops of the Eighth Army made further progress in clearing Ortona and mopping up pockets of resistance. Both the Canadians and the Indian troops captured prisoners. Farther south French Moroccan troops are attacking an important height to which the

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enemy is clinging tenaciously.

Two more features have been captured by American troops on Mount Sammucro, thus completing consolidation of positions on this important massif.

Medium bombers yesterday attacked the viaducts at Recco and Zoagli, railway yards at Poggibonsi and shipping near Zara.

With slightly better weather on the Fifth Army front, our fighter activity was increased. Fighter-bombers attacked Civitavecchia, where hits were scored on shipping, harbor installations and the railway yard. Rolling stock was destroyed and damaged on the Ancona-Pescara line, and the factory and railway yard at Anagni were bombed.

None of our aircraft is missing.

29 December

The bitter struggle for Ortona is over. Our troops cleared the town of the enemy and are continuing to advance up the coast, although hindered by high wind and snow. More ground was gained by Indian troops in the Villa Grande area.

Farther south in the rugged mountain country French Moroccan troops succeeded, after fierce fighting, in seizing the peaks they had been assaulting. British troops of the Fifth Army beat off a sharp enemy attack near the mouth of the Garigliano River.

Yesterday the Rimini and Vincenzo railway yards were attacked by large forces of heavy bombers, escorted by long-range fighters.

Airfields near Rome were the objectives of our medium bombers. At Ciampino, hangars, buildings and dispersal areas were well covered by strikes. Guidonia and Centocelle were accurately bombed.

Fighters cooperated over the land battle, while fighter-bombers damaged rolling stock near Ferentino and bombed the railway bridge near Castello and the ports of Anzio-Nettuno and Civitavecchia.

During these operations twenty enemy aircraft were destroyed. Eleven of ours are missing.

30 December

The Eighth Army advance in the Adriatic coastal sector and a localized advance by the Fifth Army in the mountains continued. Elsewhere on both fronts patrols were active.

Vital rail communications in central and eastern Italy were the targets for our bombers yesterday. Large forces of heavy bombers, escorted by fighters, attained a good coverage of bombs at Rimini and Ferrara, with hits on buildings and yards which caused several explosions and fires.

The medium bombers attacked installations at Certaldo, Orvieto, Bucine and Foligno. Fighter-bombers scored hits on the station and tracks at Anagni. None of our aircraft is missing.

31 December

Army: Patrols were active today along

the entire Fifteenth Army Group front in Italy. Prisoners were taken and valuable information was gained. Canadian troops continued their advance up the Adriatic coast road.

Air: Padua and Rimini railway yards were attacked yesterday by heavy bombers. Rail communications were also bombed by medium bombers at Borgo, San Lorenzo, via Reggio and Roccasuccia.

Medium bombers attacking Zara detonated a dump of mines on the quay, causing a large explosion. At Falconara, hits were made on the railway junction and repair sheds.

Better weather enabled our fighters and fighter-bombers to fly many sorties in support of land operations and in attacks on the Dalmatian coast. A heavy concentration of bombs was dropped in the Tollo-Chieti area.

During these operations eleven enemy aircraft were destroyed. Six of our aircraft are missing, but the pilot of one is safe.

1 January

On the Fifth Army front, American troops advancing through the mountains seized three important heights. In the Tyrrhenian sector, British troops, in a daring raid through the enemy lines, destroyed an important bridge, inflicted casualties and took prisoners.

On the Eighth Army front, our troops continued to advance up the Adriatic coast, despite many mines and heavy mortar and machine-gun fire.

Yesterday, bad weather limited air operations to attack on targets in the battle area and on motor transport and to patrols. Three of our aircraft are missing from these operations but the pilots of two are safe.

2 January

Navy: P-T boats of the United States Navy attacked shipping in the Gulf of Genoa the night of 29-30 Dec. An enemy trawler was damaged, and a torpedo attack on another

ship resulted in an explosion. The following night British destroyers shelled a schooner off the east coast of Italy and drove it ashore.

Air: With the exception of some coastal air force patrols, yesterday's air operations were canceled, owing to bad weather.

Army: Torrential rain and high winds curtailed activity on most of the front of the Fifteenth Army Group in Italy. Canadian troops of the Eighth Army beat off a counter-attack in the Adriatic coastal sector and captured the village of (Villa) San Tommaso.

British troops of the Fifth Army staged a successful raid into enemy positions. American troops in the mountains consolidated positions previously gained.

3 January

Hard fighting continued on the coast road north of Ortona. Rain, snow and wind limited activity elsewhere in Italy to patrolling. Rail communications on the Italian Riviera

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SERVICE NEWS AND GOSSIP

Foreign Affairs—The action of Argentina in recognizing the revolutionary Government of Bolivia, and the issue of the post-war frontier of Poland, have been the special matters of concern to the United Nations during the current week. Since the Government at Buenos Aires is the result of a military coup, it is not surprising that it gave encouragement to the Junta in Bolivia, and having given such encouragement that it extended recognition in spite of the objection of the United States and other Pan-American States. Red advance across the old Polish line which Marshal Stalin does not accept, has brought into sharper focus the territorial dispute between Moscow and the Government-in-Exile in London. There have been numerous conferences between Foreign Minister Eden and the Polish Premier and Minister for Foreign Affairs, and the two latter are about to come to Washington to solicit the aid of the President and Secretary of State, in restoring the old boundaries of their country.

Although Argentina and Poland are thousands of miles apart, and on the surface their activities and fortunes have slight connection, in this global war whatever happens in one section of the world has an important influence on what is happening elsewhere. There is no doubt of the encouragement to Germany and Japan which is found in the defiance of the United States by the Argentine Government in the matter of Bolivia, and it is to the interest of our enemies also for Russia and the Polish Government-in-Exile to continue to be at loggerheads. In both instances unquestionably Nazi influence and Nazi propaganda have been and will be employed, and in the case of Argentina, there is evidence that her officials collaborated with German agents to promote the Bolivian revolt. Aware of the State Department's effort to obtain concerted action by Pan-America recognizing the Junta Government at La Paz, Buenos Aires sought to prevent its success by insisting that Brazil and Chile abandon the consultations and join with it in extending recognition. These two Republics rejected the proposal, and Buenos Aires thereupon acted alone. By this step, encouragement has been given to revolutionary plotters in other South American countries, and so understanding the Governments of those countries are the more determined to observe a common policy, which will assure their own preservation. For the present there is no likelihood any other South American state will follow Argentina's example. In some Pan-American circles it is felt acceptance of that nation's act would be regarded as acquiescence, and, in the words of the ousted Bolivian President, would endanger the democratic front, "which has already begun to disintegrate." Therefore, the attention of Buenos Aires has been called in an emphatic manner to the consequences of its step. Certainly the United States and Great Britain, which has large interests in Argentina, will not be disposed to treat with the old time friendliness a country which, while giving lip service to Pan-American collaboration, is in fact moving to destroy it and there is even talk of applying an export-import embargo through the use of the shipping pool of the United States and Great Britain, but such talk unquestionably will not result in action since the policy of Secretary Hull is Pan American consultation in all matters and then execution of the decision unanimously reached. It is apparent that President Ramirez of Argentina is seeking to develop a bloc which will interpret differently the binding agreements made at Lima, Havana and Rio de Janeiro, and because this would be injurious, and might even be dangerous, to the Western Hemisphere, it is important for all the nations of the Pan-American system to prevent the breakdown of their policy of unity.

In respect of Poland, there is no doubt that Stalin intends to maintain his claims for the territory of that nation which he insists is historically Russian, and its occupation will so tighten his grip that it can hardly be broken. Hence in London there have been discussions between Foreign Minister Eden and the representatives of the Polish Government-in-Exile as to the compensation which would satisfy the latter. One proposal advanced is that Poland shall acquire Prussia, and have access to the Baltic Sea from Danzig to Memel in Lithuania. In addition, under the proposal advanced, Poland would have all of Silesia. The Polish objection is that this would deprive her of agricultural lands, most of which would pass under Russian sovereignty, and their country largely would become an industrial state. Moreover, the Poles say there are several hundred thousand guerrillas who would never consent to the transfer of any part of their country to Russia, and will join with the Germans in fighting to prevent it. The Germans have been making overtures to the Poles promising the restoration of their country if they would turn upon the Russians, but their proposals have been rejected. Indeed, the Premier of Poland is making statements which indicate that his Government-in-Exile is anxious to come to some kind of a composition with Moscow. Acting in this matter somewhat as a mediator, is President Benes of the Czech Government-in-Exile, who recently signed a treaty of alliance with the Soviet Union. That Treaty contains a provision under which Poland may adhere, and the Polish Premier says he would welcome an invitation to do so after, however, the restoration of diplomatic relations with Russia. Involved in this matter of reopening diplomatic relations is the adjustment of frontier lines, and the fact that discussions are occurring regarding them gives promise of an agreement. If the proposal for Poland to take over Prussia should be adopted, it would mean the transfer of the German inhabitants of the latter to Germany. It will be recalled that Hitler repatriated all Germans in Poland and the Baltic States, so that such action would be in accord with the precedent he established.

Not only are the Poles concerned over the astonishing advance of the Red Armies—800 miles since the liberation of Stalingrad last February—but so are the Governments-in-Exile of the Baltic States, Finland and the Balkan countries. Just as he is determined to regain possession of western White Russia and western Ukraine, to which the Poles say they must cling, so Stalin has announced his purpose to reabsorb into the Soviet Union, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, and the Finnish territory ceded to Russia following the war in 1939. Recognizing the peril of her situation, Finland has displayed a willingness to surrender to the United States, with which she is at peace, but our Government is deaf to acceptance of this suggestion since it surely would embroil us with Russia. In the enemy Balkan States there is panic at the approach of the Reds, and the panic is the greater because that approach has followed the elimination of Germany and Italy from Africa, the surrender of the Italian Badoglio Government, the merciless bombing of Germany, Sofia and the Ploesti oil fields of Romania, and the prospect that this method of destruction will be intensified. The Balkan Governments and peoples also are aware of the preparations the United States and Britain are making to invade continental Europe both from the west and the Mediterranean. As a result there are feverish internal discussions and disputes on the best course to pursue to save themselves, and these are responsible for the reports of popular unrest, cabinet crises and peace rumors. Fearing defection, Hitler is operating to hold the Anglo-American armies in Italy and to punish the Yugoslav people, and he is menacing his Allies by Gestapo activities and by concentrating formidable forces in their territory or upon their boundaries. Leave me, he is saying in effect, and I will visit the horrors of war upon you, continue to aid me and possibly we can force a stalemate, which will preserve your territory and independence. He is talking too, about his rocket gun, which, he says, fired from the French, Belgian and Dutch coasts, will blast England with explosives carried by a radio directed shell. This threat the Anglo-American air force is answering by concentrated bombing of points where such guns are believed to be located, and if this method of

attack fail, then the invasion will be hastened. The practical among the Balkan people appreciate, however, that they cannot expect an invention to change the trend of the war which is in the direction of United Nations' victory. Therefore, they are waiting and, while dreading, are endeavoring to find some way of escape from the vengeance they are sure is approaching.

Army Tours of Duty—It is understood that no formal ruling has been made either by the Judge Advocate General of the Army or the Attorney General as to whether or not the War Powers of the President operate to give him authority to extend indefinitely, during war, the regular four-year tour of duty for which a chief or assistant chief of arm or service may have been confirmed by the Senate. It was reported in the *ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL* last week that a ruling had been made that the President did have the power to hold on such an officer without renominating him, but it is now understood that such interpretation was not official and was entirely personal. As a matter of fact the weight of legal opinion seems to be that the President does not have such power unless the wording of the act creating the office can be so interpreted. For example, in the case of the Chief of Staff the law states that "in time of peace" the detail to the General Staff Corps shall be for a period of four years, thus leaving the war time detail a matter of discretion for the President. Nevertheless, in the case of the Chief of Staff there is a strong feeling that, while not legally necessary, his position would be greatly strengthened if the President should submit his renomination to the Senate instead of holding him on for an indefinite period of duty. In the case of chiefs of Arms and Services the law states that they shall be appointed "by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a period of four years," with no qualifying clause as to peace or war times. As a matter of fact the basic law for the Chief of the National Guard Bureau went so far as to specify that he should not be eligible to succeed himself, but this "not" was stricken from the law by the act of 19 June 1935.

The Attorney General has made some rulings in the cases of civilian posts which are filled by law for specific periods, and has held that, unless the basic law creating the position has some modifications in its wording, the position automatically becomes vacated at the expiration of the legal period unless someone is nominated or renominated, and confirmed, to fill it.

Marine Corps—Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift assumed office 1 Jan. as 18th Commandant of the Marine Corps in a ceremony conducted in the office of Secretary of the Navy Knox. Immediately after General Vandegrift took the oath of office, administered by Rear Adm. Thomas L. Gatch, USN, Judge Advocate General of the Navy, Secretary Knox presented the retiring Commandant, Lt. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, with a commission as general on the retired list.

Congratulating General Vandegrift, Mr. Knox told the new commandant that he was assuming command at "a very critical time" but that he had been chosen for the post with the "deepest feeling of confidence."

"I hope I can do as well as you, sir," General Vandegrift declared when General Holcomb added his congratulations.

Witnessing the ceremonies were Admiral Ernest J. King, Under Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, Assistant Secretary Bard, Assistant Secretary for Air Gates, chiefs of bureaus and other ranking officers.

General Holcomb will be retained on active duty in an unannounced assignment. It is generally believed that he will fill a post on the Joint Chiefs of Staff or on the staff of Admiral King.

Marine Corps Order No. 192, recently issued, lists the officers who are authorized to grant leave of absence of one month or less per fiscal year. The commanders listed are: Department of the Pacific; Marine Defense Force, Samoan Area; Marine Corps Base, San Diego; Fleet Marine Force, San Diego; Marine Fleet Air, West Coast; Training Center, Camp Pendleton; Training Center, Camp Elliott; Camp Lejeune; Marine Barracks, Quantico; Marine Barracks, Parris Island.

During the present emergency, the Marine Corps Quartermaster Department is acting as an agency in the procurement of certain articles of equipment necessary for the operation of post exchanges because allocation restrictions preclude direct purchase by the exchanges themselves. Where such articles are for direct use in conducting the business of the exchange, no overhead charge will be added to cost price. The Quartermaster has stocked items at the San Francisco and Norfolk supply depots for activation of and supplying of post exchanges on duty overseas or ordered overseas.

Army Ground Forces—HEADQUARTERS, AGF—Presentation of the Legion of Merit in the Degree of Legionnaire to Lt. Col. Alfred B. Denniston, awarded for his work in bringing about great savings in gasoline, rubber and labor in Hawaii following the attack on Pearl Harbor, was made by Brig. Gen. William G. Walker, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 (Supply) of the Ground Forces, at Headquarters, Army Ground Forces this week.

The citation accompanying the award was read by Lt. Col. Jack H. Weske, executive Officer of the G-4 Section, in the presence of commissioned and warrant officers of the section. Colonel Denniston is chief of the Supply and Transportation Division of G-4 at Ground Forces Headquarters. Colonel Denniston was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1928.

British Army officers attended a conference with officers at Headquarters this week at which air-ground liaison was discussed.

CAVALRY SCHOOL—Colonel Christian Knudsen, formerly chief of one of the Cavalry School's departments at Fort Riley, Kansas, has been appointed executive officer of the school. He succeeds Col. Harry Knight who has joined a corps headquarters.

Three new quartermaster truck companies of all-Negro personnel have been activated and attached to the Cavalry School.

Recent additions to the Cavalry School faculty include several officers just returned from overseas theaters of operations. They are Maj. Edward C. D. Scherer, who served on Guadalcanal, New Georgia, New Hebrides, Rendova, New Zealand, Russell Islands and the Fiji Islands; Maj. John B. Donnell, Capt. James S. Greene, Jr., and 1st Lt. James T. Clark, all of whom saw service in North Africa.

HEADQUARTERS, ANTIAIRCRAFT COMMAND—Maj. Gen. Homer R. Oldfield, Special Assistant for Antiaircraft to the commanding general, Army Air Forces, visited Headquarters, Antiaircraft Command at Richmond, Va., last week to confer with Maj. Gen. Joseph A. Green, commanding general of the Antiaircraft Command.

Brig. Gen. Frank C. McConnell, Chief of Staff, Antiaircraft Command, and Brig. Gen. William F. Dean, chief of the Requirements Section at Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery Board last week to witness tests of newly developed antiaircraft materiel. These tests were also witnessed by representatives of the Chief of Ordnance, the commanding general of the Second Army, the commanding general of the Airborne Command, the commandant of the USMC, by Col. Milo G. Gary, Col. Perry McC. Smith of the Antiaircraft Command and Lt. Col. James G. Bain of Headquarters, Army Ground Forces.

ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SCHOOL—An address by Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, commandant of the Antiaircraft Artillery School at Camp Davis, N. C., has been published as a booklet and is being distributed to USO clubs throughout the

country. The address, entitled "We Are of the Future," is a statement of the ideals for which we fight. The address was given last 4 July at the Wilmington, N. C., USO Club. The booklet was printed by the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association.

A general movement of various departments of the AAA School has now centralized most of the school's activities in the northern end of Camp Davis. The centralization will expedite the training of enlisted specialists, officer candidates and student officers at the school.

Army Air Forces—General Henry H. Arnold, commanding general of the AAF, will receive the Poor Richard Club's achievement award at the club's annual dinner 17 Jan. at Philadelphia. The award, a gold medal, was unanimously voted to General Arnold in recognition of his accomplishments in developing and organizing American air power.

Steel helmets of two types are being produced to give added protection to combat crews of the AAF. Their use is reported to have caused a reduction in the number of head injuries sustained. Each type was designed to meet a special need. The M-3, developed by the Army Ordnance Department, may be used by many combat crewmen. The M-4, a smaller helmet, was developed by the AAF especially for turret gunners who work in an extremely limited space. Both types are produced by the Ordnance Department.

The M-3 fits over the regular leather helmet and has projecting steel flaps to cover the earphones and a coating of flock, a substance similar to cotton lint, is applied to the metal to prevent the wearer's hands from freezing to it at low altitudes.

The M-4 is constructed of steel plates, shaped to fit the contours of the head, and is inclosed in a canvas cover.

A review of the Royal Air Force activities for 1943 shows that of Germany's 21 major industrial cities, nine were so devastated that they have probably been forced to consume more than they produce. The outstanding targets were the Ruhr Valley and Hamburg. A war commentary by Brig. Gen. Horace Sewell, CMG, DSO, estimates that more than 40 per cent of Berlin is destroyed.

WOMEN PILOTS—The Wasps, women civilian pilots with the AAF, have completed more than a full year of military flying and established new records for safety.

The equivalent of 3,000,000 miles has been flown by them per fatal accident. Wasps are now flying nearly 5,000,000 miles per month. Each month this total flying time increases as more report for active duty. The present enrollment is 900.

Provost Marshal General—The Office of The Provost Marshal General announced this week that tables of Organization and Equipment for the Military Police Battalion, formerly called Military Police Battalion Zone of the Interior, have been approved and are now being distributed. They provide for a reduction in strength and elimination of the 60mm mortar. It is believed that the new organization has many advantages such as: increased grades and ratings, more complete radio communications, and additional scout cars with necessary operating and maintenance personnel.

A survey of the potential use of prisoners of war labor in the West and far West was completed by the Works Project Branch of the Provost Marshal General's Office and a representative of the Army Ground Forces. It is estimated that approximately 15,000 additional prisoners of war can be provided employment in Army camps, posts and stations, particularly in the states of California, Oregon and Washington. Vacant troop housing is available for conversion to prisoner of war use, and estimates of the cost are now being made.

Army Medical Department—With classes beginning 10 Jan., a school for medical officers will open at the Medical Replacement Training Center, Camp Barkeley, Texas, to train physicians recently commissioned from civil life. The school will be in charge of Lt. Col. Dean Schamber, MC, under Brig. Gen. Roy C. Heflebower, commanding general of the Medical Replacement Training Center.

This school is to be a temporary institution set up to care for the peak load of medical officers entering service at this time. It is expected to be in operation for approximately six weeks; accordingly most of the operating personnel will be from the MRTC and the MAC-OCS.

In addition to Colonel Schamber who came to Camp Barkeley this week from the Medical Field Service School at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., are four other medical officers of that school who will act as departmental directors—Majs. Wallace E. Anderson, Lewis J. Weller, Isaac L. Messmore and William C. Burry.

Colonel Schamber, in addition to being in charge of the school will direct the department of logistics. Major Anderson will direct the department of training of the Medical Field Service School. Directing the department of sanitation will be Major Weller, while Major Messmore is to direct the department of administration. The department of tactics will be headed by Major Burry.

Maj. Miles G. Bell, MAC, formerly executive officer of the Barkeley Officer Candidate School will take over that position with the School for Medical Officers. The four company commanders will be Capts. John B. Sweeney, John E. Haggerty, John H. Vogell and Leon J. Duff, all Medical Administrative Corps officers formerly with the OCS. All enlisted personnel will be drawn from the OCS.

Ordnance Department—Army Ordnance troops stationed in Iran helped to sustain Russia's 1943 offensive by directing 4,500 natives in assembling all types of automotive equipment near the head of the Persian Gulf and maintaining huge cargo fleets of Ordnance and other combat supplies rolling toward the Caspian Sea and the Russian front over the 700-mile Trans-Iranian highway.

The first 200 miles of the Persian supply corridor is desolate desert. Beyond the desert rise the forbidding Luristan and Elburz mountains where peaks of 18,000 feet are common. Winter in the desert is a time of torrential rain. By way of contrast, winter in the mountains is accompanied by heavy snows and sub-zero temperatures.

Some stretches of the road are so rough that truck tires split to shreds after rolling only 4,000 miles; on others the dust is so thick that the drivers wear respirators. Seven-ton Ordnance trucks are employed. The gasoline, obtained from nearby



wells, is British; but the oils and greases are American. Ordnance troops work around the clock in assembly plants, repair shops and service depots. Now that the Mediterranean is again open to Allied convoys, the Iranian corridor is busier than ever.

Army Nurse Corps—Three shifts in assignments as assistant superintendents in charge of nursing service at service commands have been effected recently. Maj. Kathleen H. Atto, recently promoted to that rank from captain while on duty at headquarters, has been assigned to the 2nd Service Command, Governors Island, N. Y., to succeed Lt. Col. Rae D. Landy, who will become principal chief nurse at the new Crile General Hospital, Cleveland, O. Maj. Burdette Sherer, who was principal chief nurse at Camp Phillips, Salinas, Kan., has assumed duty as assistant superintendent at the 3rd Service Command, Baltimore, Md., with relative rank of lieutenant colonel, succeeding Lt. Col. Alice D. Agnew, who has gone on terminal leave pending retirement. Maj. Joanne Peters, principal chief nurse at Camp Kilmer, N. Y., has assumed duty at the 7th Service Command, Omaha, Neb., with relative rank of lieutenant colonel, succeeding Lt. Col. Anna A. Montgomery, who also has gone on terminal leave pending retirement.

Bureau of Ships—Commemorating the recent victories at Tarawa and Makin Island, the Secretary of the Navy has approved the naming of two vessels in honor of the valor displayed by our forces there. Admiral Ernest J. King, Chief of Naval Operations and Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet, recommended the names for the new vessels. A large aircraft carrier, now under construction at the Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., will be known as the Tarawa and an escort carrier under construction at the Kaiser Shipyard, Vancouver, Wash., known before as the Woodcliff Bay, will be christened the Makin Island.

The submarine Baya was launched 2 Jan. at the yards of the Electric Boat Co., Groton, Conn. The new vessel was sponsored by Mrs. C. C. Kirkpatrick.

Army Signal Corps—"The hard work and the good work being done at the Central Signal Corps Training Center is reflected in the records of its soldiers who are carrying out their missions—at home and overseas—with zeal and competence." This statement from Maj. Gen. H. C. Ingles, Chief Signal Officer, came at the conclusion of a recent inspection of the Training Center at Camp Crowder, Missouri, upon which he was accompanied by Col. F. T. Gillespie, Chief of the Military Training Branch, O. C. Sig. O. General Ingles stressed the importance of continuous efforts to make field training as realistic and as close to actual combat conditions as possible. He said he was convinced that basic Signal Corps training methods have proved themselves effective and fundamentally sound.

Col. Harry L. Vitzthum, SC, has been relieved from duty with the Communications Coordination Committee and has been reassigned as Director of the Control Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer. Col. Vitzthum served in France during World War I, and later in the Philippine Department. His recent service has included duty as Signal Officer, Alaska Defense Command, and as a member of the Army Communications Board.

Col. Boyd Bunker Hill, until recently commanding officer of the 1st Signal Training Regiment at Camp Edison, N. J., has been given an important overseas assignment and has been succeeded by Lt. Col. Peter Smith, former executive officer under Colonel Hill. Capt. Milton D. Dodd, former adjutant, has become executive officer, and 1st Lt. Jacques S. Lederman has been designated adjutant of the Regiment.

Capt. Dennis Williams, SC, has been assigned to the Army Pictorial Service, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, after assisting in the organization of a number of training film libraries in the Mediterranean theater. Despite the difficulties involved in adjusting certain types of Signal Corps motion picture equipment to local conditions, Captain Williams reports that training films showing the latest military innovations and other related developments are now generally available.

Bureau of Aeronautics—The Secretary of the Navy announced 4 Jan. that the Navy has ordered 20 more Mars cargo flying boats. The huge flying boats, built by the Glenn L. Martin Co., will be placed in service with the Naval Air Transport Service as they are completed. The first of these, said Mr. Knox, will be completed in about a year.

A new aircraft ferrying organization has been established to handle the growing production of warplanes. This organization will be known as the Naval Air Ferry Command and will, as an air wing, operate under the Naval Air Transport Service.

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery—The first naval mobile hospital was decommissioned at Bermuda exactly three years after its official birth, 5 Oct. 1940. Naval Mobile Hospital No. 1 sailed for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, on 25 Oct. 1940, and served that station until 20 July 1941, when the unit, including its equipment and some prefabricated buildings, sailed for Bermuda. On 1 Sept. 1941 the hospital was open for business at the new base. With completion of a permanent dispensary at the Naval Air Station, Bermuda, the need for the mobile unit no longer existed at Bermuda, and on 5 Oct. 1943, it was decommissioned—a delayed dispatch has reported—and its 19 officers and 225 enlisted men assigned to other duties, some to mobile hospitals in other theaters.

Rear Adm. D. G. Sutton (MC) USN, Inspector of East Coast Medical Activities, accompanied by Lt. G. R. Hansen (HC) USN, will begin an inspection tour of medical activities in North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida today, 8 Jan.



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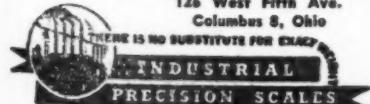
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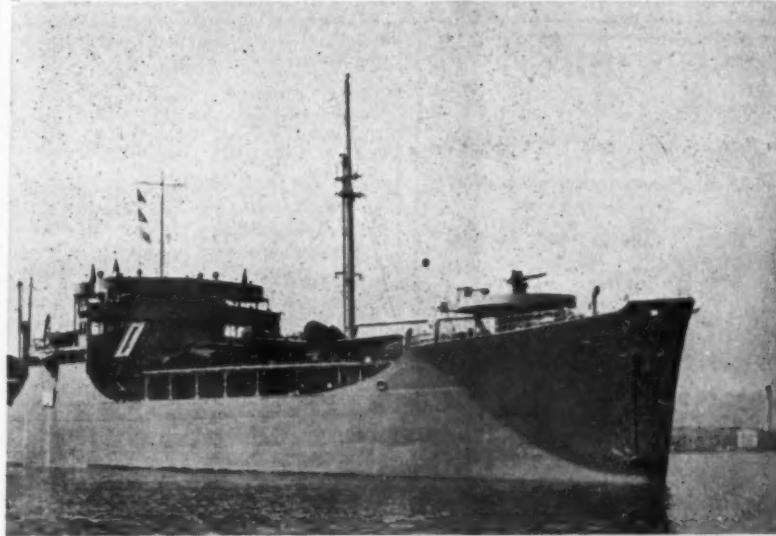
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VICE Admiral and Mrs. Patrick Niesen Lynch Bellinger entertained at a dinner in the commissioned officers' mess, at the Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, their daughter, Mildred, a debutante of the year, being the bright star of the evening. Some of those attending were Adm. and Mrs. David Le Breton, Comdr. and Mrs. Charles Francis Greene, Comdr. Wilson Benoit, Comdr. Nelson Slater, Lt. N. N. McDaniel, Lt. D. A. Puskett, Lt. R. Merry, Lt. William Parker, Lt. Fred Schlaefley, Ensign Don Clarke, Ensign Paul Walker, Ensign J. A. Hendrickson and Ensign Howard Hodges.

The Officers' Club at the Norfolk Navy Yard was also the scene of a gay afternoon gathering when Comdr. and Mrs. Charles Frank Greene entertained for their daughter, Norma. In the company were Capt. and Mrs. Webster Maddux Thompson, of the Navy Yard personnel, who assisted the hosts.

When Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, commanding general of the Army Ground Forces, and Mrs. McNair gave the tea dance at the War College for Cadets and Midshipmen, they were assisted by Brig. Gen. and Mrs. J. C. Christiansen and by Col. W. N. Todd, Jr., post commandant at headquarters, and Mrs. Todd, while Lt. Col. Louis W. Truman made the introductions.

Presiding in turns over the gaily decked table were Mrs. W. G. Walker, Mrs. W. F. Dean, and Mrs. Clyde Hyssong, all wives of Brig. Generals with Mrs. Mitchell, wife of Col. Wm. L. Mitchell, and Mrs. E. F. Olsen, wife of Col. Olsen.

Yesterday the Washington Chapter of the Daughters of the U. S. Army met at the Washington Club for luncheon with a colorful film shown later. The subject of the latter was "Around the Seasons in our National Capital," shown by Mrs. Ridgely Chapline. Miss Nancy Hawkins, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Hamilton Hawkins, was in charge of reservations.

Lt. and Mrs. William Richardson Kennedy, AAF, announce the birth of a son in

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MRS. ROBERT HALE McEWAN
who before her recent marriage to Lieutenant McEwan, USA, Camp Pickett, Va., was Miss Amarinthia Theodora Allston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McKay Allston of Willtown Bluff, S. C.

Cincinnati on New Year's Day. The child is the grandson of Lt. Gen. and Mrs. George C. Kenney and Major and Mrs. Harvey Shirley, USA, and will be named for General Kenney.

The Officers of the Medical Department at Seventh Service Command headquarters in Omaha held a party at the Omaha Athletic Club Friday evening honoring Col. and Mrs. H. C. Gibner, who are departing for San Francisco, where Colonel Gibner will be Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of California Medical School, and Col. Harvard C. Moore, his successor at Service Command Headquarters.

It was an informal affair attended by thirty-one officers and ladies. Dinner was served with cocktails. The table was superbly appointed and decorated with two large Christmas floral baskets and streamers.

Colonel Moore, who succeeds Colonel Gibner as Service Command Surgeon, was formerly the surgeon of the Ninth Service Command with headquarters at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Mrs. Allen R. Kimball, wife of Brig. Gen. Allen R. Kimball, Commanding General of the Jeffersonville Quartermaster Depot, was the sponsor at the launching of the L.S.T. No. 526 on Monday, 27 Dec., at the shipyards of the Jeffersonville Boat & Machine Co., Jeffersonville, Ind. General Kimball was the principal speaker at the ceremony.

Capt. John R. Deane, Jr., USA, and Mrs. Deane announce the arrival of a son, John Russell Deane, III, on 27 Dec., at University Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

The baby is a grandson of Maj. Gen. Jack W. Heard and Mrs. Heard, and of Maj. Gen. John R. Deane and Mrs. Deane.

Mrs. Walter James Alsop, of Fort Sam Houston, Texas, has as a holiday guest, Mrs. Vester M. Shultz. Mrs. Shultz is making her home in Dallas while Lt. Col. Shultz is on foreign duty.

The Candlelight Concerts in old Gadsby's Tavern in Alexandria are to be revived after an interval of three years, the first to take place 13 Jan., with Mrs. Carl A. Spaatz, wife of Lt. Gen. Spaatz, heading the list of sponsors. Some others in the list of patrons are Brig. Gen. and

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Weddings and Engagements

CAPT. and Mrs. Fred Clinton Dickey, USN, of the Naval Air Station, Hutchinson, Kans., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann, to Midshipman Robert Davison McCrary, USN, son of Capt. and Mrs. Frank Robert McCrary, USN, of the Naval Air Station, Alameda, Calif.

Miss Dickey attended the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., where she was a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority. At present she is a student at the Holton-Arms Junior College in Washington, D. C.

Midshipman McCrary attended the Boyden Preparatory School in San Diego prior to his entrance into the United States Naval Academy, from which he will be graduated in June. The wedding will take place in the Naval Academy Chapel following his graduation.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Jameson of Concord, N. H., announced the engagement of their daughter, Jane, to Lt. John Mason Lord, USNR, of Boston, son of Mrs. Eugene Reybold, wife of Major General Reybold, Chief of Engineers of the Army.

Brig. Gen. C. A. Willoughby and Mrs. J. M. Willoughby, announce the engagement of their daughter, Olga, to Capt. Harold Buerchinger, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Buerchinger, Green Bay, Wisconsin. The wedding will take place 14 Feb. in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Earl Le Lievre, of Shaker Heights, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ann Boyd Le Lievre, to Ens. Philip Hermann, USCG, son of Dr. and Mrs. Otto J. Hermann, of Brookline, Mass.

Miss Le Lievre is a Junior at Connecticut College, Ensign Hermann is a graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy, Class of 1944.

The Chapel, Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Wash., was the setting for the marriage of Mrs. Hulda Maria Loftus to Lt. Comdr. Daniel Adams Frost, USN-Ret., at 3:00 P. M., Wednesday, 29 Dec. Officiating at the private ceremony was Chaplain Charles A. Dittmar, USN. Mrs. William L. Tagg, daughter of Mrs. Loftus, was the bride's attendant. Comdr. D. B. Justice, USN-Ret., an Indianapolis classmate of the bridegroom, was best man.

Mrs. Loftus, widow of Endra Loftus, has been a prominent resident of Bremerton for twenty-five years, and identified with many civic, social, and church activities. She is the mother of Lloyd Loftus, Boatswain's Mate first class, United States Coast Guard Reserve, and has two sons-in-law, Comdr. William L. Tagg, USN, and Lt. Clifford W. Bundy, USN.

Lt. Comdr. Frost is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, class of 1921. He is stationed at the Receiving Station, Puget Sound Navy Yard, where he is Officer-in-Charge of the CVE Pre-Commissioning School.

A small reception was held for friends and relatives after the ceremony at the bride's home. After a trip to Victoria over the New Year's holiday, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Frost will be at home at 109 State Street, Bremerton.

Brig. Gen. and Mrs. James Raymond Alfonse, USA, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Gates, to Lt. Harold Lee Graham, Jr., USN, class of '41, USNA. The wedding will be 22 Jan. at St. Alban's, Washington.

Lt. Col. William Edward Whittington, AUS, now serving overseas, and Mrs. Whittington, of 400 West 119th Street, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Marian Whittington, to Cadet William Blackburn White, 4th, first class, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, son of Mrs. Orion L. Davidson, wife of Lt.

Col. Davidson, USA, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Miss Whittington was graduated in 1938 from Low-Heywood School, Stamford, Conn., and attended Skidmore and Barnard Colleges.

Cadet White, son of the late Capt. William Blackburn White, USA, was graduated from the Harvard Military School, Los Angeles, Calif., and Millard's Preparatory School, Washington, D. C., before going to West Point.

The couple plan to be married shortly after Cadet White's graduation in June, 1944.

Lt. Comdr. Thomas W. Bennett (MC), USNR, and Mrs. Bennett have announced the marriage of their daughter, Jacqueline Naomi, to Dr. Ernest Calon, of Ponce, Puerto Rico. Miss Bennett attended Goucher College, in Baltimore, Md. Dr. Calon was graduated from the University of Maryland Medical School and received his B.S. degree from the University of Puerto Rico. He is a member of the Phi Chi Medical fraternity.

The ceremony was performed by Father T. B. Kenny, in All Saints Chapel, in Baltimore, Md. Lt. Comdr. Bennett gave his daughter in marriage, and Dr. Pearson Checket was best man. The ushers were Dr. James Brown, of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Dr. Manuel Iquin and Mr. Jose Alvarez, of San Juan, Puerto Rico. A reception followed at the Belvedere Hotel. Miss Margarita Sala, of Ponce, Puerto Rico, was the maid of honor and only attendant.

After the holidays the young couple will leave for Detroit, Mich., where Dr. Calon will be at Providence Hospital.

The wedding of Mrs. Irene Bentley Winsley to Col. George Frederick Umach, USA, took place 11 Dec. in Hawaii.

Chaplain Alfred T. Pietrek, USA, read the marriage lines in the presence of several hundred guests.

The bride was given away by Col. Merrill W. Marsten, USA, and Rear Admiral Robert C. Giffen, USN. She was preceded to the altar by Mrs. Eunice Comstock, matron of honor and only attendant.

Col. Harold T. Kay, military aide to Governor Stainback, was best man and

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Very few large parties of any description were given by the Army or Navy personnel during the Christmas holidays, most entertainments being given over to debonair for the enlisted men in this district.

The only outstanding affair given by Naval officers this last week was the tea dance given on New Year's Day by Vice Admiral and Mrs. Guy Hamilton Burrage for their debutante granddaughter, Miss Meeta Burrage Myers. The club room of the Woman's Club where the dance was given was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and in the dining room where a buffet supper was served at 6:30 o'clock, the table was arranged with red candles and cut flowers. The guests were received by Admiral and Mrs. Burrage, Miss Myers and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bartone, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Fanecke, Mr. and Mrs. Ludwell Baldwin and Ensign and Mrs. Robert R. House, Jr. The guests included the 28 debutantes of the season, their escorts and a large group of Norfolk's young-er set and Junior officers.

The Commissioned Officers Mess of the Naval Operating Base entertained at a New Year's Eve dance in the Officers Club with reservations for 400 guests.

Capt. and Mrs. Melville J. Aston were hosts on Tuesday afternoon at an egg-nog party given at their quarters at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Naval Operating Base. Hours were from 5 to 7 o'clock and the guests numbered 80.

A New Year's dance for junior officers was held Friday night in the auditorium of the Larchmont School from 9 to 1 o'clock, sponsored by the Federation of Garden Clubs of Norfolk and vicinity. Several hundred officers attended.

Mrs. Kenneth E. Meneke who is leaving this week for Philadelphia, to join Lieutenant Meneke who has been ordered there for duty, was guest of honor on Thursday at a luncheon given in the Officers Club, Naval Base, by Mrs. Charles E. Thurston, Jr. Covers were laid for ten.

Miss Dorothy Shinn, daughter of Comdr. and Mrs. Benjamin J. Shinn was hostess on Friday at luncheon given in the Williamsburg Room of the Commissioned Officers Mess, Naval Operating Base. Covers were laid for fourteen.

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Mrs. Stuart Godfrey, the latter director of Music for the Services in Washington; also Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Edward Elliott MacMorland.

Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. John Grace, Jr., and their daughter, Frances, a student home from Vassar for the holidays, entertained at an informal tea Monday afternoon.

Mrs. David Sellers, wife of Admiral Sellers; Mrs. Claude Jones, wife of Adm. Jones, and Mrs. Stuart Godfrey, wife of Brig. Gen. Godfrey, were some of the Service folk who assisted the hostess.

Col. and Mrs. Noah M. Brinson are guests of Mrs. Herbert J. Slocum, widow of Gen. Slocum in Washington, having come on from the West Coast, where he has been stationed. Col. Brinson will attend the Army and Navy Staff College.

Mrs. William H. Pouch, President General, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Army and Navy Chapter, D. A. R., at the Chapter House, 1732 Massachusetts Avenue, Monday, 10 Jan., at 2:00 P. M. A tea in honor of Mrs. Pouch will follow the meeting. Mrs. Pearl M. Shaffer, Regent, will preside.

Lt. Col. Jack Reybold, being on duty on the West Coast, his mother, Mrs. M. L. Reybold, and her daughter, Marian, are spending the winter in Lexington, Va.

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Weddings and Engagements

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ushers included Maj. Edouard R. L. Doty, Maj. James E. Reilly and Maj. Roland P. Fournier, all members of Col. Unmacht's staff in the division of chemical warfare.

Among the guests present were Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander in chief of the Pacific fleet and Pacific Ocean areas; Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., USA, commanding army forces in the central Pacific area; Vice Admiral John Henry Newton, USN, deputy commander in chief of Pacific Ocean areas; Rear Adm. W. K. Furlong, USN; Rear Adm. Robert C. Giffen, USN; Maj. Gen. Henry T. Burdin, USN; Maj. Gen. Charles H. Corlett, USA; Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Briant H. Wells, USA-ret.; Brig. Gen. LeRoy P. Hunt, USMC; Brig. Gen. Robert M. Perkins, USA; Brig. Gen. Dennis E. McCunniff, USA; Col. Edward H. Snodgrass, USA; Col. Morrill W. Marston, USA; Col. John Keliher, USA; Col. Kendall J. Fielder, USA; Col. Roy E. Blount, USA; Lt. Col. M. Oakley Bidwell, USA; Col. and Mrs. Adna G. Clarke; Col. Harold T. Kay; Lt. Col. Earl Fielding, USA; Lt. Col. R. W. Goldsmith, USA; Lt. Col. Eugene B. Layton, USA; Lt. Col. Arthur E. Lindborg, USA; Lt. Comdr. Harold C. Hill, USNR, and Mrs. Hill; Maj. and Mrs. R. Q. Smith; Chaplain A. P. Pietrek, USA, and Maj. and Mrs. E. R. L. Doty.

Another Honolulu wedding was that of Miss Barbara Engle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Engle, of Honolulu, and Maui and Lt. Renwick Garrett Martin, USNR, Sunday, 19 Dec. in the garden at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Waterhouse, 130½ Coelho Lane, Nuuanu. The Rev. Henry P. Judd officiated.

Mrs. Colin C. Murdoch was matron of honor. Other attendants were Mrs. Peter Fitzgerald (Ann Allen), Mrs. A. F. Anderson (Lucy Dexter), Mrs. Elinor Gerner (Amy Bridgford), Mrs. Charles McWayne, Jr., (Kathleen Patterson), Miss Mary Louise Wilson and Miss Betty Bown.

Before the ceremony Capt. Charles Richards, MC, USA, sang "My Happy Day" and "The Prayer Perfect," accompanied by Mrs. J. C. Villiers at the organ.

Ke Kali Nei Au was sung by Mrs. Rosaline Flores.

Serving were Lt. Comdr. Carl D. Simonson, USN, as best man, and ushers were Capt. Collin C. Murdock, AUS; Lt. L. M. Shadburne, USNR; Ensign J. P. Hogan, USNR; Pfc. Peter Fitzgerald, AUS, and A. Way Underwood.

Lt. Martin is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Renwick Martin, of Beaver Falls, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Kidder, of Concord, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Josephine Burnett, to Lt. (jg) George Remey Wadleigh, USNR, son of Mrs. John Winthrop Wadleigh, of Jamestown, R. I., and the late Lt. Col. John Winthrop Wadleigh, USMC. Lt. Wadleigh is the grandson of the late Rear Adm. and Mrs. George H. Wadleigh and the late Rear Adm. and Mrs. George C. Remey.

Miss Kidder is a graduate of Concord Academy and is a member of the senior class at Vassar College.

Lt. Wadleigh was graduated from St.

George's School, Newport, in 1937, from the Institute of Tour, France, in 1938, and from Harvard University in 1942. Since then, he has been on active duty at sea.

Last summer destroyers were launched named in honor of each of Lt. Wadleigh's grandfathers—the USS Wadleigh and the USS Remey. At the present time Lieutenant Wadleigh is attached to the former warship.

Miss Elizabeth Ann Smith, daughter of Mrs. Allan Eugene Smith and the late Col. Smith was married to 2nd Lt. Arthur Murchinson Preston, Jr., AC, USA, now stationed at Pueblo Army Air Base. He is the son of Mrs. Ethel C. Preston, of Del Rio, Texas, and Mr. Arthur M. Preston, of Corpus Christi.

The wedding took place Saturday, 18 Dec., in the Post Chapel at the Pueblo Air Base, Chaplain John R. Fountain officiating.

Col. Clifford L. Hunn, of Camp Carson, Colorado Springs, gave the bride's hand in marriage. Miss Patricia Wheless, of Port Arthur, Texas, was maid of honor. The best man was Lt. H. R. Wellborn, USA. Ushers were Lts. Richard C. O'Brien and Charles W. Prindle, AC, of Pueblo Base.

A small reception followed at the Officers' Club and on the return from a short wedding trip the couple will be at home at the Grand Hotel, Pueblo.

The bride is attending Trinity University, in San Antonio, Texas, and will resume her studies there.

The bridegroom received his cadet training at Kelly Field, Texas, and his wings from the Bombardier School in San Angelo, Texas.

The late Col. Allan Eugene Smith, father of the bride, was stationed at the Ohio State University on ROTC duty from 1937 to 1941, previously being stationed at Fort Sam Houston for three years with the 15th Field Artillery.

Miss Amarintia Theodora Allston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mc Kay Allston, of Williston Bluff, S. C., became the bride of Lt. Robert Hale McEwan, USA, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Singer McEwan, of Orlando, in St. Phillips' Episcopal Church, Charleston, S. C., on the night of Wednesday, 8 Dec., with the rector of Christ Church, Hilton, the Rev. Sumner Guerry, officiating.

Her sister, Amy, was maid of honor, and bridesmaids were the Misses Leila Friend, Aiken Turner, Carolyn Peurifoy, Amy Cannon and Mary Privette.

Maj. Oswald Beverly McEwan was best man for his brother, and ushers included Lts. John Malamatini, John Lovelette, George G. O'Brien and William Waring.



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A reception was later held at 47 S. Battery. Lt. and Mrs. McEwan left on a short wedding trip.

Awards and Decorations

Medal of Honor

*2d Lt. J. R. Sarnoski, USAF bombardier who shot down two Japanese fighter planes in the South Pacific as his own life ebbed away from wounds sustained in the action.

Distinguished Service Medal

Maj. Gen. W. H. Halstead, as Chief of the Budget and Legislative Planning Br., and as Asst. CofS, G-1, WDGS.

Brig. Gen. L. A. Fox, as Health Director for the Caribbean and North Atlantic Engineer Divisions.

Brig. Gen. A. F. Kibler, as senior Army member, US Military Mission to French West Africa.

Col. T. G. Yolland, Inf., for service in a position of great responsibility during operations against the Japanese on New Georgia from 11 July to 9 Aug. 1943.

Navy Cross

Lt. (jg) E. H. Steiger, USNR, as pilot, Navy Fighter Plane, anti-submarine patrol, Atlantic area.

Legion of Merit

Col. C. S. Sharpe, Chief of the CW Section, North African Theater, for services of inestimable value to the Allied Forces.

Capt. G. C. Dyer, USN, as CofS to Comdr. of an Amphibious Task Force, preparatory to invasion of Sicily.

Capt. R. R. Libby, USN, as Destroyer Sq. Comdr., during seizure and occupation, Attu and later of Kiska.

Comdr. C. A. Buchanan, USN, as Operations Of. Amphibious Task Force, in planning and coordinating the joint activities of the Navy with those of the Army preliminary to invasion of Sicily.

Comdr. G. R. Cooper, USN, as Destroyer Div. Comdr., seizure and occupation, Attu and later Kiska.

Comdr. John Corbus, USN, as CO, US warship in combat against German submarine.

Comdr. P. G. Osier, USN, as CO, US warship in combat against submarine, Attu area.

Comdr. H. D. Rosendal, USN, as CO, US warship in combat against submarine, Attu Island area.

Lt. Comdr. E. S. Sarsfield, USN, as CO, US Maddox, during attack against German submarine, Atlantic area.

Silver Star

Capt. J. B. McGovern, USN, as CO, USNT, during landing operations, US Naval and Army forces, against Attu.

Navy and Marine Corps Medal

CTMM E. C. Applegate, USN, service aboard US submarine, war patrols.

EMic R. L. Anderson, USN, service aboard US submarine, war patrols.

Air Medal

Lt. W. J. Wehmeyer, USN, as Navy Patrol Plane pilot, anti-submarine patrol, with US Attack Forces during seizure and occupation, Attu.

AMMC R. Bass, USN, as crew member, Patrol Plane, combat against German undersea craft.

ARM3c A. Albert, USNR, as Air Gunner, PBY Airplane in Patrol Sq., submarine patrol.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Claude Fay Doyen, widow of the late Gen. Charles A. Doyen, USMC, died Monday evening, 27 Dec. 1943, at the Naval Hospital, Annapolis, Md., after a lingering illness.

Mrs. Doyen, who made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Felix Johnson, 211 Hanover Street, was born in Annapolis. She was the daughter of the late Professor William Wirt Fay and Julia Fay.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Jason McVay Austin, of Baltimore; two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Valiant, Annapolis, and Mrs. J. H. Pendleton, of California; and one brother, Col. W. G. Fay, USMC, of St. Mary's County, Md.

The funeral was held Thursday, 30 Dec., at 11:30 a.m. from St. Anne's Church, of which the deceased was a member. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

Chaplain (Major) Samuel D. Hurwitz died on 9 Dec. 1943 at McCluskey General Hospital, Temple, Tex., following surgery after which complications set in.

Chaplain Hurwitz came from Ft. Wayne, Ind., graduating from the Ft. Wayne High School. He received his AB degree from the University of Cincinnati, graduating as a Rabbi from the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati, and did post graduate work at the Divinity School at the University of Chicago. He was Rabbi in Phoenix, Ariz., Panama City, R. P., and Bloomington, Ill.

During his ministry in Phoenix, Rabbi Hurwitz served as state chairman for the National Conference of Jews and Christians and was appointed to the library board of that city. He was a member of the B'nai Brith Lodge.

Chaplain Hurwitz was assigned to active duty in May 1941, and was stationed at Camp Grant, Ill., and was later transferred to Camp Wolters, Tex.

He is survived by his wife, Belle Schick Hurwitz of Chicago, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hurwitz of Ft. Wayne, Ind., two sisters, and two brothers who are in the Service.

Concerning the death of Brig. Gen. William Tecumseh Wood, USA-Ref., in Washington, D. C., 18 Dec. 1943, a correspondent writes:

"To his contemporaries, and to those of us who long enjoyed his friendship and advice, his loss will be deeply felt. General Wood possessed the rather rare quality of training and guiding younger officers and

official personnel with a personal interest that forbade criticism. This quality no doubt helped him in the very important duties that fell to him in the Philippine Government under the distinguished Governor General of the Islands, General Otis, now believed to be one of the greatest colonizers of all time. General Wood assisted greatly in planning the mental and moral resurrection of the Philippine Races under this great officer's plans.

"The same sound judgment marked his career as Assistant Inspector General of the Army, and later as Treasurer of the National Soldiers' Home. I remember the Inspector General remarking 'Whenever I am called away I never have to think of my office, Wood is there.' This confidence seemed general in his various duties.

"Way back when he was a Cadet at West Point his classmates might have predicted his success in the following jingle which followed him through life:

"Little Stumpy Wood
Always did the best he could
If you wish to be a better man
Do as little Stumpy does
Do the best you can."

Funeral services for Mrs. Anne W. Ord, widow of Maj. James Cresap Ord, USA, were conducted by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ralph Rogers, USA, 30 Dec. 1943, at Washington, D. C. Interment was in Arlington National Cemetery.

Mrs. Ord, who died at her residence in Washington, D. C., 27 Dec., was the daughter of the late Chaplain David Wilson, USA, and was born in Frederick County, Md. Her father was president of the Maryland Annual Conference of Methodist Protestant Ministers. He was one of the founders of Western Maryland College, and for some time was acting Chaplain of the U. S. Senate.

Mrs. Ord lived at many frontier Army posts before her husband retired in 1940, when they moved to Chevy Chase, Md. A charter member of the Chevy Chase Garden Club, she also belonged to the Army and Navy Chapter of the DAR, the Friday Morning Music Club and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority.

She is survived by a son, James Ord, of San Francisco, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Ord Alexander of Washington, and Mrs. Edward Schramm of Syracuse, N. Y.; two sisters, Mrs. Francis H. Pope, wife of Brig. Gen. F. H. Pope of Washington, and Mrs. Joseph C. Byron, widow of Maj. J. C. Byron of Hagerstown, Md.; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Maj. Gen. Garesche Ord, a cousin of her late husband is chairman of the United States-Brazil Commission; a nephew of Mrs. Ord, Brig. Gen. William Ord Ryan is with the Army Air Forces in the Pacific, while another, Brig. Gen. Joseph W. Byron, is head of the Army Exchange Service.



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BACKER—Born at the Lenox Hill Hospital, N. Y., 22 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. Frederick Backer, USNR, a daughter, Nancy.

BELL—Born at Nassau Hospital, Mineola, L. I., N. Y., 27 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. C. Robert Bell, USNR, a daughter, Jean Ellis Bell.

BER—Born at McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls, S. D., 11 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Richard H. Ber, QMC, a son, David Lewis Ber.

BEYER—Born at Harkness Pavilion, New York, 20 Dec. 1943, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Edward Morton Beyer, QMC, a daughter, Allen Reid Beyer.

CALLAHAN—Born at Roscoe Hospital, Roscoe, New York, 14 Dec. 1943, to 1st Lt. and Mrs. Mark H. Callahan, AC, a daughter.

CAPLAN—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 28 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Norman Caplan, MC, a daughter.

CLARK—Born at the Palo Hospital, Palo Alto, Calif., 31 Dec. 1943, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Homer H. Clark, Jr., USNR, a daughter, Ann Kramer Clark. Lieutenant Clark is on duty in the Pacific.

CUNNINGHAM—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 29 Dec. 1943, to Maj. and Mrs. James D. Cunningham, AUS, a daughter.

CUTCHIN—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 30 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Braxton M. Cutchin, Ord. Dept., a son.

DEANE—Born at University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., 27 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. R. Deane, Jr., USA, a son, John Russell Deane, III, grandson of Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Jack W. Heard and Maj. Gen. and Mrs. John R. Deane.

DENTLER—Born at Providence Hospital, Seattle, Wash., 7 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. John A. E. Dentler, CAC, AAA, a son, David John, grandson of Col. and Mrs. C. E. Dentler, USA, ret., and Mrs. John Bower, great-grandson of Mrs. Louis Sauer, all of Portland, Ore.

ELMER—Born at the Greenwich Hospital, Conn., 28 Dec. 1943, to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Robert P. Elmer, Jr., USCG, a daughter, Pamela Stokes Elmer. Lieutenant Elmer is on overseas duty.

ENGLISH—Born at US Naval Hospital, San Diego, Calif., 26 Dec. 1943, to Maj. and Mrs. Tracy L. English, CAC, Fort Rosecrans, Calif., a son, Charles Henry.

ESKRIDGE—Born at St. Louis, Mo., 23 Dec. 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. Hazard Stevens Eskinridge, a son, Donald Stevens Eskinridge, grandson of Mrs. Oliver S. Eskinridge and the late Colonel Eskinridge.

FOGARTY—Born at St. Mary's Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., 10 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Martin A. Fogarty, a son, Robert Martin.

FROST—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 1 Jan. 1944, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Walter J. Frost, AC, a son. Lieutenant Frost is on overseas duty.

GERHARD—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 30 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. George R. Gerhard, CMC, a son.

GIERASCH—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 1 Jan. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Alden R. Gierasch, CE, Fort Belvoir, Va., a daughter.

GORDON—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 29 Dec. 1943, to Maj. and Mrs. Harold J. Gordon, MC, a daughter.

HAHN—Born at Keesler Field Station Hospital, Keesler Field, Miss., 3 Jan. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. Franklin Hahn, CAC, a son, Michael Stephen.

HARVEY—Born at the Presbyterian Hospital, Newark, N. J., 28 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. Robert Condit Harvey, USNR, a son.

HAYNES—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 2 Jan. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Albert L. Haynes, AC, a daughter.

HEAVNER—Born in the Delaware County Hospital, Lansdowne, Pa., 19 Dec. 1943, to Maj. and Mrs. William Stewart Heavner, SC, USA, a son, Richard Wayne. Major Heavner is serving in the Caribbean area.

HILL—Born at Laurens Hospital, Laurens, S. C., 22 Dec. 1943, to 1st Lt. and Mrs. James W. Hill, QMC, a son.

HOLT—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 28 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Holt, SC, son.

KENNEY—Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, 1 Jan. 1944, to Lt. and Mrs. William Richardson Kenney, AAF, a son, grandson of Lt. Gen. and Mrs. George C. Kenney and Maj. and Mrs. Harvey Shirley, USA. The baby will be named for General Kenney.

KRAUSE—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 28 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Richard F. Krause, CE, a son.

MILNE—Born at the United Hospital, Rye, N. Y., 29 Dec. 1943, to Chaplain and Mrs. George McLean Milne, USN, a son. Chaplain Milne is on duty in the Pacific.

MORGAN—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 1 Jan. 1944, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. John B. Morgan, a son.

NEUMAYER—Born at Nassau Hospital, Mineola, L. I., N. Y., 19 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. William E. Neumayer, USNR, a daughter, Sharon Adams.

Births • Marriages • Deaths

(No charge for service announcements. Please notify promptly.)

PALASKY—Born at Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., 17 Dec. 1943, to S. Sgt. and Mrs. Raymond J. Palasky, a son, Raymond Joseph.

PRESTON—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 31 Dec. 1943, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Howard Preston, Inf., a son. Lieutenant Preston is on overseas duty.

RINGENBERG—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 31 Dec. 1943, to 1st Lt. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Ringenberg, Jr., Fort Belvoir, Va., a son.

ROBERTS—Born at the Lying-in Hospital, Cornell Medical Center, N. Y., 30 Dec. 1943, to Ens. and Mrs. Joseph W. Roberts, USNR, a son, Grant Van Allen Roberts.

SAMPSON—Born at Fort Sill, Okla., 27 Dec. 1943, to Col. and Mrs. John H. Sampson, Jr., FA, a daughter, Sarah Ann, granddaughter of Col. and Mrs. Thomas P. Bernard, USA, ret., of San Antonio, Tex., and Mr. John H. Sampson of Salt Lake City, Utah.

SHERMAN—Born at St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach, Fla., 30 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. Albert K. Sherman, USNR, a son, Albert Keene Sherman, Jr.

SMART—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 28 Dec. 1943, to S. Sgt. and Mrs. James A. Smart, FD, Flying Field, D. C., a son.

TENNEY—Born at the Lying-in Hospital, New York, 22 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. John W. G. Tenney, USNR, a daughter, Gail Brett.

THOMPSON—Born at Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D. C., 23 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. Grove George Thompson, USNR, a son, Grove George Thompson, Jr.

TOOZE—Born at St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., 28 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. Victor A. Tooze, a son, Victor A. Tooze, Jr.

WECHTER—Born at U. S. Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Va., 21 Dec. 1943, to CPhM, and Mrs. Robert W. Wechter, a daughter, Marcia Michele.

WILCOX—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., 29 Dec. 1943, to Lt. and Mrs. William C. Wilcox, USNR, a daughter, Courtney Pillsbury Wilcox, granddaughter of Capt. and Mrs. Vance Duncan Chapline, USN, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph DeWitt Wilcox of Minneapolis, Minn.

WILSON—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., 3 Jan. 1944, to Capt. and Mrs. Allen T. Wilson, Ord. Dept., Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., a daughter.

YOUNG—Born at City Hospital, Columbus, Ga., 27 Dec. 1943, to Capt. and Mrs. John S. Young, Inf., a daughter, Merry Lynn, granddaughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Gordon C. Hollard, and Dr. and Mrs. George A. Young, Lake Charles, La.

ZETHREN—Born at Station Hospital, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., 16 Dec. 1943, to Lt. Col. and Mrs. George Wallace Roger Zethren, a daughter, Kristine Marie Elisabeth. Lt. Col. Zethren is stationed at Fort Leavenworth on the Staff and Faculty of the Command and General Staff School.

Married

ALEXANDER-BRENNAN—Married in Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, New York, 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Beverly Jane Brennan, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Burnett F. Brennan, USA, ret., to Ens. Owens Fitzgerald Alexander, USNR, son of Chaplain (Maj.) and Mrs. Richard L. Alexander. Chaplain Alexander is serving overseas.

ANDERSON-FAUST—Married in Calvary Episcopal Church, Summit, N. J., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Nancy Brigham Faust, to Ens. Charles Hill Anderson, USNR.

BEJARANO-GARRETT—Married in Union Presbyterian Church, Schenectady, N. Y., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Valerie Patricia Garrett, to Lt. (jg) Luis Enrique Bejarno, USNR.

BENNETT-RUTHERFORD—Married in Paxton Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg, Pa., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Anne Louise Rutherford, to Lt. Col. William Batchelder Bennett, on duty in the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, War Department.

BODINE-MATTHEWS—Married in the rectory of St. Margaret's Morristown, N. J., 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Elizabeth Clarke Matthews, to Lt. James Richard Bodine, AAF.

BOYLE-COLE—Married in Post Chapel No. 5, Camp Croft, S. C., 31 Dec. 1943, Miss Betty Cole, to Lt. John Neville Boyle, Jr., AUS.

BRAYHO-BRABANT—Married in Trinity Episcopal Church, Troy, Ohio, 3 Jan. 1944, Miss Lucia Gray Hobart, to Ens. Robert Brayho, USNR.

BROADHURST-MOODY—Married in Little Hayward Church, Hayward, Calif., 27 Dec. 1943, Miss Eleanor Lowry Moody, to Lt. (jg) Edward Marquette Broadhurst, USAF.

BURNS-O'NEILL—Married in Prospect Presbyterian Church, Maplewood, N. J., 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Vera O'Neill, to 2nd Lt. Norman E. Burns, Jr., AAF, Selman Field, La.

CAVANAUGH-METUSAVERG—Married recently in the post chapel of the Army Air Base, Salt Lake City, Utah, Miss Margaret Jeanne Metusaverg, to Lt. Phillip Richard Cavanaugh, USAAF.

CLIFFORD-DOUCETTE—Married in a triple ceremony in Milwaukee, Wis., 4 Jan. 1944, Miss Catherine Virginia Doucette, to Ens. Jerome E. Clifford.

COLON-BENNETT—Married in All Saints' Chapel, Baltimore, Md., Miss Jacqueline Naomi Bennett, daughter of Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. William E. Neumayer, USNR, a daughter, Sharon Adams.

Mrs. Thomas W. Bennett, (MC), USNR, to Dr. Ernest Colon of Puerto Rico.

CONGER-KLINE—Married in the First Congregational Church, Darlen, Conn., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Mayo Trist Kline, to Ens. John Janeway Conger, USNR.

DALTON-BROWN—Married in the chapel of the Episcopal Church of the heavenly Rest, New York, 28 Dec. 1943, Miss Miriam Harriett Brown, to Lt. George Francis Dalton, USN, Class of 1938, USNA, son of Mrs. John P. Dalton of Overbrook, Philadelphia, Pa., and the late Lt. Commander Dalton, USN.

DAVIS-BEAUCHAMP—Married in the Little Chapel of the Roses at Chula Vista, Calif., 18 Dec. 1943, Miss Frances Madeline Beauchamp, to Capt. James Blackwood Davis, Jr., USMC.

DAWSON-PATTERSON—Married in Washington, D. C., 1 Jan. 1944, Mrs. Alva Ansley Patterson, to Lt. Donald Shelton Dawson, AAF.

DIGGS-GRIFFITH—Married in St. Mark's Incarnation Lutheran Church, Washington, D. C., 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Muriel Hope Griffith, to Lt. (jg) William B. Diggs, Jr., USNR.

EARP-HAMBLETON—Married in San Antonio, Tex., 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Edwina Hambleton, to Lt. Harold E. Earp, Jr., AUS.

FITZPATRICK-CHEWNING—Married in the chapel at the Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, Va., 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Helen Sheehan Chewning, to Ens. Beverly Thomas Fitzpatrick, USNR.

FITZPATRICK-POLLOCK—Married in Our Lady of Sorrows Church, South Orange, N. J., 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Kathleen Terese Pollock, to Capt. Howard T. Fitzpatrick, Marine Corps Air Force, Santa Ana, Calif.

FROST-LOFTUS—Married in the Chapel, Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Wash., 29 Dec. 1943, Mrs. Hulda Maria Loftus, mother of BMcL Lloyd Loftus, USCG, and mother-in-law of Comdr. William L. Tagg, USN, and Lt. Clifford W. Bundy, USN, to Lt. Comdr. Daniel Adams Frost, USN, ret.

GAMBRELL-SITTON—Married in the First Baptist Church, Anderson, S. C., 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Sarah Elizabeth Sitton, to Lt. Col. William Henry Gambrell, AUS.

GRACE-ERSKINE—Married in the Reformed Church, Bronxville, N. Y., 4 Jan. 1944, Miss Nancy Major Erskine of the Spars, to Lt. Daniel Ralph Grace, USNR.

GRIFFIN-SCOTT—Married in Christ Church, Kensington, Md., 26 Dec. 1943, Miss Augusta Winfield Scott, daughter of M. T. Sgt. and Mrs. George W. Scott, USMC, to Lt. Howard Davidson Griffin, Jr., Geneva, Nebr.

HARRIS-MCDONNELL—Married in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola, New York, 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Charlotte McDonnell, to Capt. Richard L. Harris, AUS, recently returned from overseas duty.

HARTZELL-GRUNEWALD—Married in St. Mary's Chapel, Washington Cathedral, Washington, D. C., 3 Jan. 1944, Ens. Christopher Dora Grunewald, USNR, to Lt. (jg) Jay Stanley Hartzell, Jr., USN.

HARWOOD-FOSTER—Married in the Baptist Church, Cherrydale, Va., 31 Dec. 1943, Miss Anne C. Foster, to S. Sgt. Charles A. Harwood, USA.

HOFFMAN-FEE—Married in St. George's Episcopal Church, New York, 28 Dec. 1943, Mrs. Geraldine Miller Fee, to Lt. Irving Morehouse Hoffman, Jr., USA.

HOLECEK-WINKELMAN—Married in the chapel, Pratt Field, Kans., 25 Dec. 1943, Miss Billel Elaine Winkelman, to Lt. John Jerry Holecek, AAF.

HOLLAND-HODGES—Married in the Church of Advent, Norfolk, Va., 26 Dec. 1943, Miss Frances Lee Hodges, to Ens. Robert Holland, USNR.

HOOKER-O'CONNOR—Married at Hunter Field, Ga., 18 Oct. 1943, 2nd Lt. Mary E. O'Connor, ANC, to Maj. Joseph L. Hooker, Hunter Field.

HOWELL-HALL—Married in St. Mark's Methodist Church, New York, 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Patricia Ann Hall, to CPO Charles David Howell, USCG.

HUTCHESON-PEGRAM—Married at Saratoga, Calif., 11 Dec. 1943, Miss Anne Holt Pagram, to Maj. Gen. Grote Hutcheson, General and Mrs. Hutcheson will make their home in Saratoga, Calif.

JACKSON-REILY—Married in Washington, D. C., 27 Dec. 1943, Miss Frances Key Reilly, to S. Sgt. Warren Boyd Jackson, USA, Ft. George G. Meade, Md.

KELLER-SPEAKE—Married recently in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, College Park, Md., Miss Ann West Speake, to Lt. Howard Lee Keller, AUS.

KELLEY-STAFFORD—Married in St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Annapolis, Md., 15 Dec. 1943, Miss Weston Stafford, to Ens. Edmond Louis Kelley, USN.

KUSTERER-ABBOTT—Married in the United Church, New Haven, Conn., 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Grace Van Dusen Abbott, to BM2c Edmond Kusterer, USN.

LAWTON-TITUS—Married in First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, N. J., 28 Dec. 1943, Miss Margery Gladding Titus, to Lt. John Bayne Lawton, USA.

LOPEZ-POWELL—Married in the Catholic Chapel, Camp Shelby, Miss., 31 Dec. 1943, Miss Regine Elizabeth Powell, to Lt. Felix M. Lopez, Jr., CE, CE.

LUBERDA-KING—Married in St. Charles' Church, Arlington, Va., 28 Dec. 1943, Miss Jean King, to Lt. (jg) William Stanley Luberda, USN.

MILNE-COSTELLO—Married recently in St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Long Beach, Calif., Miss Helene Marie Costello, to Lt. Joseph Bowen Sullivan, USN, son of Comdr. and Mrs. Earl E. Sullivan.

TAYLOR-METHVIN—Married in the Second Baptist Church, Rye, N. Y., 31 Dec. 1943, Miss Jean Elizabeth Rose, to Lt. Chandler Lambert Stevens, USMC.

THOMPSON-COGGESHALL—Married in the Methodist Church, Astoria, N. Y., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Alice Coggeshall, to Ens. F. L. Thompson, Jr., son of Lt. and Mrs. F. L. Thompson.

UNMACH-TINSLEY—Married at Waltham, T. H., 11 Dec. 1943, Mrs. Irene Bentley Winsley, to Col. George Frederick Unmacht, USA, father of Comdr. George Unmacht, Jr., USN.

LUSK-MORSE—Married in New London, Conn., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Elizabeth Vanderhoef Morse, to Ens. Ciu Flu Lusk, USCG.

MACMILLAN-DOUGLAS—Married in St. James' Episcopal Church, Upper Montclair, N. J., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Barbara Ann Douglas, to Ens. Wallace Harmon Macmillan, USNR.

MANDEVILLE-CORBIERE—Married in St. Peter's Church, Essex Fells, N. J., 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Georgia Ann Corbiere, to Capt. Howard Churchill Mandeville, AUS.

MCCLURE-DIVER—Married in Grace Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., 11 Dec. 1943, Miss Frances Jane Diver, to Capt. Francis Lynn McClure, USA.

MILLER-NOYES—Married in the chapel of Foundry Methodist Church, Washington, D. C., 21 Dec. 1943, Miss Priscilla Ann Noyes, to Lt. (jg) H. Rankin Miller, (MC), USNR.

MOON-MERRIAM—Married in St. George's Episcopal Church, Schenectady, N. Y., 4 Jan. 1944, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Merriam, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Allen Wayne Merriam, USA, to Rexford George Moon, Jr., of the Army.

MOORE-MARVIN—Married in the First Congregational Church, Old Greenwich, Conn., 2 Jan. 1944, Miss Carol Marvin, to Lt. James Howard Moore, Jr., USA.

MOORE-OVENSINE—Married at Camp Rucker, Ala., 29 Dec. 1943, Miss Virginia Ovensine, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Richard P. Ovensine, to 1st Lt. Eugene Ovensine, AUS.

MORGENTHAU-PATRIDGE—Married in New York City, 30 Dec. 1943, Miss Martha Patridge, to Lt. Robert Morris Morgenthau, USNR, son of Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and brother of Lt. Henry Morgenthau, 3rd, USA.

MOSCOW-SILVER—Married in New York City, 4 Jan. 1944, Miss Natalie H. Silver, to Lt. Herbert Moscow, SC.

MOYER-LEADER—Married in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albany, Ga., 28 Dec. 1943, Miss Mary Millicent Leader, to Lt. Clarence Leigh Moyer, Jr., AAF.

POLLOCK-CAPLAN—Married in Portsmouth, Va., 26 Dec. 1943, Miss Doris Caplan, to Lt. Jack B. Pollock, USNR.

POWELL-KNOWLTON—Married in St. John's Episcopal Church, Hartford, Conn., 1 Jan. 1944, Miss Nancy Hamlin Knowlton, to Lt. Robert Hill Powell, USNR.

PRESTON-SMITH—Married in the Post Chapel, Pueblo Army Air Base, Pueblo, Colo., 18 Dec. 1943, Miss Elizabeth Ann Smith, daughter of Mrs. Allan Eugene Smith, of Del Rio, Tex., and the late Colonel

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Congress will begin its next session on 10 January and will hear the President read his annual message on the following day. Since the presidential and congressional elections will be held next November, the session promises to be ripe with strife between the Chief Executive and the National Legislature. On the question of the continuance of the war through 1944 and 1945 there will be no dissent. The huge budget estimates to be submitted will be accepted without much debate, although the Appropriations Committees will scan them carefully to prevent waste. It will be in the domestic field that the battle will rage. Aside from the mustering out pay for discharged soldiers and sailors and measures for their employment, which will be passed without much, if any, actual contest, conflicts will occur on man power, social security, labor relations, maintenance of the Little Steel Formula, taxes, prices and subsidies, and involved in these matters are the increase in food production, regimentation, and industrial reorganization after the war. The President recently announced his abandonment of the New Deal, and Congress will microscope his message to determine whether or not he is pursuing it under the guise of a new slogan, "Win-the-War," which Republicans are describing as a purely political maneuver to promote the President's candidacy for reelection.

The President will be able to show Congress an excellent production record. It was estimated by the War Production Board that goods valued at \$42 billions would be produced in 1943. The Board now states that its production reached \$61 billions, and this in spite of strikes which now are averaging ten each day. The goal the Board has fixed for 1944 is \$77 billions, and it is confident it will be

reached. The War Man Power Commission is likewise confident that the nation's need in 3 million workers will be met, partly by shifts from factories whose production no longer is required, partly by the assignment of non-workers, and partly by discharges from the Army—635 thousand men were honorably discharged by the Army from 31 December, 1941 to 30 September, 1943, and 96 thousand by the Navy during 1943. Should heavy casualties occur as a result of the operations of the year, the optimism now felt about war employment may disappear, and there may develop a labor shortage which will tax our capacity to produce.

Having taken over the railroads, the President is moving to adjust the wage disputes. A new emergency board has been created to arbitrate the demands of the 1 million nonoperating employees, and only technical difficulties lie in the way of the adjustment of the wage dispute involving three operating brotherhoods representing 150 thousand men. The official magazine of the American Federation of Labor seems to have attempted to place General MacArthur in the position of challenging the views of General Marshall on war time labor relations. It gave currency to a statement from the former lauding Labor, but it quickly developed that the statement was made on 1 April, 1942 in reply to pledges of support for the war effort from the Federation officials, and, therefore, does not apply to the current situation.

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Merchant Marine

American shipyards in December turned out 208 merchant ships, to bring 1943 production to 1,896 ships, Rear Adm. Emory S. Land, USN-Ret., chairman of the Maritime Committee, reported this week.

The year's production totaled 19,238,626 deadweight tons, 238,626 more than the 1943 goal of 19,000,000 tons set by President Roosevelt.

The 1944 goal has been set at 20,000,000 tons, Admiral Land stated, but emphasis will be on efficiency and speed of ships rather than quantity of production. Output of the faster Victory ship will be speeded at the expense of the slower Liberty ship. Construction of 300 Victory ships in 1944 is planned.

Admiral Land reported that approximately 130,000 seamen are now manning War Shipping Administration vessels, about 85 per cent of whom are members of unions.

General's Son Decorated

The Merchant Marine Distinguished Service Medal has been presented to Capt. Jonathan M. Wainwright, 5th, son of Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright, for gallant conduct on a blazing munitions ship and other outstanding services.

Captain Wainwright was master of the Liberty ship Bushrod Washington during the Italian landings. The vessel received a direct bomb hit last September, killing many soldiers, but Captain Wainwright got his men off before the vessel, laden with ammunition and gasoline, exploded. Thereupon, Captain Wainwright took command of another bombed ship, nearly awash, and had her towed a half mile away where her badly needed supplies could be unloaded. Later, the master took the second ship 300 miles to Bizerte for repairs.

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Col. Sarnoff Reviews Radio

Col. David Sarnoff, Sig. Res., President of the Radio Corporation of America, in a review of the past year, declared that radio activity in research, engineering, communication and manufacturing during 1943 may be summed up in one objective—win the war!

"Radio's great role in global warfare" Colonel Sarnoff said, "is coordination achieved through lightning-like communication, regardless of distances, natural barriers or the enemy. The application of radio-electronics to detecting, ranging and navigation is being greatly extended with miraculous results. Thus, the future of radio is an ever-increasing circle within whose orbit new peacetime services are being evolved through wartime research and engineering. As keys to the microwave spectrum, more powerful electron tubes are opening the domain of tiny wavelengths, which possess unlimited possibilities in radio and its related fields of electronics, television, radiothermics, supersonics and electron microscopy."

"The American radio industry is breaking all records in production and communication. As the New Year dawns, the 'ether' pulses with new vigor. Micro-waves accomplish new wonders. Daily, 400,000 radio-electron tubes are manufactured. Every hour of the day and night,

all America is informed by up-to-the-minute broadcasts on the progress of the war. At the same time, short-wave broadcasters are reaching every land throughout the world regardless of enemy restrictions. Tons and tons of apparatus are sent into combat every week. Miles and miles of transoceanic radiotelegraph circuits are vibrant with urgent dispatches, news and communiques. Messages are flashed by automatic high-speed machines at the rate of 600 words a minute.

"Latest estimates reveal that radio production in the United States is up to \$250,000,000 a month against \$30,000,000 a month a year ago—all for the armed services. The equipment is the finest and most efficient in the world. America's radio-electronic scientists and engineers have far surpassed Germany's much vaunted super-men of science."

Would Standardize Medals

A plea that there be a specific statement of the qualifications of each medal and that there be a standardization of medals among all branches of the services is voiced by Capt. Richard G. Hubler, USMCR, in the Marine Corps *Gazette* published at Headquarters, United States Marine Corps, by the Marine Corps Association.

"The total effect of varying standards between the services," says Captain Hubler, "is a general lowering of morale and a constantly increasing fiction. One high-ranking Marine ace, who has shot down double the number of planes that other Army aces had claimed, and who had got the same decoration used to habitually pick fights in Antipodes bars with Army pilots. Navy men, viewing the mountains of color and insignia upon the left breast of Army men, got to addressing them as heroes."

Captain Hubler wrote:

"The air forces in action generally have more of a chance to win medals than the ground troops or the sailors in action," he said. "A Navy or Marine pilot has five chances of glory (the Medal of Honor, the Navy Cross, the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Air Medal). The Army has the like except that the Navy Cross is supplanted by the Distinguished Service Cross. The ground and sea fighters have only three chances, and the 'responsibility officers' two."

"Perhaps the AAF has offended most: one not-too-prominent Army fighter pilot has 14 various medals. A comparable Marine pilot has two. Three hundred medals in a batch do not constitute an unusual ceremony for pilots who have completed no more than two or three routine missions. They have given as many as 1585 at one time—on the Ploesti bombing flight over Rumania."

"The Navy has not been so gross an offender. It ranks, in the opinion of many, with the regular Army in its standards of awards. Being a quarter the size of the Army, the Navy, is perhaps entitled to fewer peacock feathers in this field than the former. But it has its share—awarding a medal for 250 hours of solo flight and for 'diving a plane to a perilously low height.' * * * The Coast Guard has not been as *outre* as the others in the showering down of honors."

Carrier Construction

Under Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, speaking 6 Jan. at Bickman Hospital, New York, reported that we have built and are still building the greatest sea-air power in history.

He said, "We built for the Naval air forces a total of 13,617 combatant planes which gave us, at the end of the year, net, after all losses, nearly 16,000 combat aircraft against 5,800 in existence at the year's beginning. We completed six aircraft carriers of the Essex type, that is, 27,000 tonners, and nine light carriers of the 10,000 ton converted cruiser type as well as fifty escort carriers, the emergency carriers that have done such a job on the Nazi submarines in the Atlantic."

Inter-Service Sports

Army beat Navy 10-7 in a hotly contested gridiron match—not at West Point where Navy recently triumphed—but at Oran, Algeria.

The game was one of a New Year's Day double-header. In the second game the Casablanca Ordnance "Rab Chasers" became the regular North African league champions by defeating the Oran "Termites," 7-6. Both games were touch football because of lack of equipment.

In another inter-service game, held at Hamilton, Bermuda, 2 Jan., Navy defeated Army 19-0.

43rd in New Georgia

The combat teams of the 43rd Division, little more than two years away from National Guard status, from Maine, Connecticut, Vermont, and Rhode Island, and few with battle experience, made history at New Georgia and Rendova.

Two companies of the 103rd Infantry, together with two companies of Marines, landed 21 June at the mouth of the Viru River on southeastern New Georgia while at the same time other elements of the 43rd—men of the 172nd Infantry combat team—poured ashore on Rendova, taking that island and following the advance units to New Georgia by 5 July.

On the next day the 169th Infantry, less one battalion, came ashore to move inland. Three days were spent in shaking down the combat teams, developing the enemy's position and reducing the strong-point. Then, at dawn 9 July, the 43rd jumped off on a 1,300-yard front, the 172nd and 169th combat teams abreast. By nightfall the New England infantrymen had advanced 1,000 yards, followed by another 1,000 yards in the next two days.

By 19 July the 172nd had swept the enemy from the beaches and groves of Laiana Plantation and the 169th were fighting their way into the jungle, their leading battalion being badly cut up.

Laiana Beach secured, landing boats brought in the 3rd Battalion of the 103rd Infantry who deployed to the left of the line, the 172nd inclining to the right. The division CP moved up from Zanana to Laiana, and with it came the first men of Ohio's 37th Division.

By 17 July the 172nd Infantry, the center combat team, had pushed its way close to the enemy's southern center of resistance with tanks attacking the pillboxes. On the right the 169th Infantry was forcing against the northern line in heavy woods.

On that day the arrival of Maj. Gen. J. Lawton (Lightning Joe) Collins' 25th Division, less its artillery, from Guadalcanal, improved the situation. Its one National Guard regiment, the 161st Infantry from the state of Washington, went into position on the right.

The 169th was withdrawn the next day and the Washington regiment took over. Two days later, 20 July, Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler's Ohio division, the 145th and 148th Infantry, each less one battalion, came ashore. The line was now, from left to right: 103rd Infantry (43rd Division), 172nd Infantry (43rd Division), 161st Infantry (25th Division), and 145th Infantry (37th Division).

During the next six days the general advance was 300 hard won yards. The 103rd Infantry had pushed forward 200 more yards by 28 July. And so it continued, yard by yard, until 5 August when Munda Airfield was finally taken and the enemy wiped out.

Prisoners of War News

The American Red Cross reports that 64 cablegrams were received from prisoners of war, internees, and U. S. nationals during the month of October for delivery to relatives and friends. This constitutes the largest number received in any month from the Far East, and the largest number to come from any enemy or enemy-occupied country.

The ARC reports that arrangements have been made through the International Red Cross Committee to make a film of American prisoners of war in some German camps. Similar pictures have been made and sent to the United States by the I.R.C.C., of French, Belgian and other prisoners, but the distribution and showing of these have been delayed to await the completion of arrangements for filming American prisoners. When these films arrive, the ARC plans to arrange for their nation-wide exhibition.

While discussions have taken place to bring about new exchanges of seriously ill and seriously wounded American prisoners of war in Japan, and to effect exchanges of American and Japanese civilians, the ARC reports that no conclusions have been arrived at in this line.

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Consolidate Navy Divisions

The Shore Establishments Division and the Division of Personnel Supervision and Management, under the jurisdiction of Assistant Secretary of the Navy Ralph A. Bard, will be combined into a new division to be called the Shore Establishments and Civilian Personnel Division.

Capt. Frederick G. Crisp, USN, will head the new division. He has been manager of the Navy Yard, Mare Island, Calif. Capt. E. E. Sprung, USN, for the last two years Hull Superintendent at the Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash., will be the Assistant Director of the new Shore Establishments and Civilian Personnel Division.

Rear Adm. Charles W. Fisher, Jr., USN, at the same time will be relieved as Director of Shore Establishments to become Director of a new Inspection Division in the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy. This division will keep the Secretary of the Navy apprised of the efficiency of shore establishments, including the effectiveness of their utilization of personnel. Rear Admiral Fisher is also a member of the Navy Manpower Survey Board, to which he was recently appointed.

Comdr. David G. Click, USNR, formerly in charge of the Industrial Relations Section of the Division of Shore Establishments, has been appointed Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Charles Ploetz, present Director of Civilian Personnel and head of the Division of Personnel Supervision and Management, will be appointed a Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy to be an advisor on civilian personnel matters.

Miss King to Sponsor Submarine

Secretary Knox has designated Miss Florence King, daughter of Adm. Ernest J. King, USN, Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet and Chief of Naval Operations, as the sponsor for the submarine USS TURBOT, under construction at Philadelphia.

ARMY UNIFORM DIRECTORY

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